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EDITOR'S NOTE

We like to call the magazine 'the College's biggest classroom,'" the editor wrote in this space three months ago. "Our goal, sometimes, is simply to promote discussion. We hope to do more of that in the future."

He talked then about feeling like a junior, having finished three years at the College. Now he's leaving without finishing a degree. Shortly after the last magazine went into the mail, my wife received a job offer. On July 1, she becomes the new editor of the *University of Chicago Magazine*.

This is the modern two-career marriage at work; it's Mary Ruth's turn to move the family. She was able to make a living in Middlebury; most of her work came to her via Federal Express. But that work also required travel; with two young children, we've found it difficult. And it isn't the work she really wants to do. She wants to edit magazines—and at Middlebury, there's just one magazine.

In order to speed the search process along, the College sent a mailing to class secretaries, Middlebury College Alumni Association board members, and trustees, asking them to pass the news along and nominate candidates. That search has entered its final phase.

Your editor leaves Middlebury with some sense of accomplishment. We've expanded and updated the magazine these last three years—in terms of design, concept, production methods, and editorial matter. Our readers—and colleagues at the College—have been helpful coaching from the sidelines.

We leave you with something we can all cheer about. Each year, our professional organization, the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education, or CASE, holds an awards competition. This year the magazine, competing against a total of 240 other entries, won bronze medals in three categories. In the "open" or university magazines category, we were honored with magazines from Harvard, Johns Hopkins, Duke, MIT, Stanford, and UMichigan, to name a few. We also won in categories for college magazines and for periodical resources management, which judged our special efforts to produce the best possible magazine with a small staff and budget.

Special congratulations go to Dotty McCarty, our class notes editor, and Erik Borg '67, our No. 1 photographer (whose fine work you see on our cover this issue).

Sometimes you can't fit everything into an article. This issue's article on "African-American Voices" is drawn mainly from 15 hours of interviews with Middlebury students and selected staff and faculty members. We've been reporting for three years on the College's special efforts to regain the momentum and commitment of the 1970s, when Middlebury, along with other major private colleges, tried to reach out to young black and Hispanic Americans. This article recaps only a bit of that news. Its primary focus is on African-American students themselves. We tried to let them talk about what they've found at Middlebury, good and bad. They had some things they wanted to say.

One piece of statistical information about the status of racial attitudes and relations at the College:

Every year in SA 301, "The Research Process-Sociology," Sociology Professor Rudolf Haerle and his students conduct a survey of Middlebury student attitudes. Some questions are the same year to year; but each year the class focuses on particular issues. In the spring of 1988, the class explored racial/ethnic issues on campus.

The surveyors randomly selected 80 non-minority students, 30 minority students, and 20 international students. Fifteen students from the minority and international groups identified their racial/ethnic background as "black." Class members hand-deliver the surveys, then pick them up. Honoring privacy is a course requirement; students pledge not to peek at the surveys. To preserve the anonymity of the respondents (the survey asks questions about drug and alcohol use, as well as sexual activity), class members swap surveys before they are read; surveys are never attached to names.

Five of those 15 black students reported on the survey that they had been the targets of racial/ethnic jokes. Six had noticed malicious graffiti directed at black students on campus. Eight of 15 had had racial slurs directed at them. Nine said they had "been made to feel socially uncomfortable because of my race/ethnicity." —*ECE*

LETTERS

Middlebury Magazine *welcomes letters from readers on the contents of the magazine or on topics related to the College. Letters for publication must be signed, and they should be addressed to: Editor,* Middlebury College Magazine, *Wilson House, Middlebury VT 05753.*

Midd marchers

Editor: Can you locate the Middlebury contingent in this photo? It was taken at the Reproductive Rights March in Washington on April 9th. I couldn't give up my photographic perch to say hello to the Middlebury group but was heartened by their presence. If you don't choose to use this photo maybe you could pass it on to the student coalition for Freedom of Choice together with my greetings.

BRUCE ARMSTRONG '86
Ithaca, NY

Ozark Mountain daredevil

I was fortunate to be able to tour the Catskill Mountains with Middlebury College faculty member Ken Myers ("Selling the Sublime," *Middlebury College Magazine*, Winter 1989) last fall, and afterwards discovered an interesting connection between his research and my own.

When I sent Ken the information, about a man who studied chemistry and mineralogy at Middlebury College in the very years about which he wrote in both this article and the exhibit catalog on which it is based, he answered by mailing me the issue of your magazine containing the article. Others of your readers may find the connection interesting:

Born into a glassmaking family near Albany in 1793, Henry Rowe Schoolcraft traveled west into the lead mine country of southeast Missouri in 1818, at age 25, and late that year ventured into the Ozark Mountains, accompanied by a single companion and a packhorse.

After an arduous overland trip during which the two men were lost and without their food provisions and lead shot for several days, went 20 days without encountering another person, and were sometimes cheated and then abandoned by hunters who had offered to guide them, Schoolcraft and his companion wintered over for a month in the upper reaches of the White River before floating a canoe downstream in mid-January of 1819. This was a time when Anglo-American settlements in Missouri Territory were very few, very small, and usually temporary, occupied by hunters who moved on when game became less plentiful.

Above the confluence of the Great North Fork with the White River (Lake Norfork—a reservoir—is there today), Schoolcraft and his companion allowed a settler to use the canoe to take meat and skins to the trading post at the confluence, and ventured overland again to meet him there. Because the overland route was shorter by a day, Schoolcraft had a day of leisure, which he used to make an excursion into the hills to examine river pebbles, list the tree species, and imagine what the region offered his young and growing country:

"Here were *beautiful views for the landscape-painter*, rocks for the geologist, minerals and fossils for the mineralogist, trees and plants for the botanist, soils for the agriculturist, an advantageous situation for the man of business, and a gratifying view for the patriot, who contemplates with pleasure the increasing settlement, and prospective improvements of our country." [my italics]

It is interesting to think that this man, who traveled west in the period of economic expansion after the War of 1812 when (as Ken Myers notes) mountain tourism became popular in the Catskills of New York, brought the latest intellectual currents with him to the similarly wild and picturesque landscapes of the Ozarks—landscapes that he saw foremost as *views*.

Schoolcraft published three works based on his early travel experiences [*A View of the lead mines of Missouri* (1819); *Journal of the Tour into the interior of Missouri and Arkansas from Potosi...*(1821—quoted above); and *Scenes and adventures in the Semi-Alpine Region of the Ozark Mountains of Missouri and Arkansas,...*(1853)] before becoming an Indian agent and beginning a life of study which was to make him a pioneer American ethnologist and would result in the publication of his multi-volume study, *Historical and Statistical Information respecting the history, condition and prospects of the Indian tribes of the United States* (1851-1857), for which he is today much better known.

But as a young man, he had brought from the Hudson valley and perhaps also from Middlebury College an awareness of landscape as picturesque views in the wilderness as he entered the mountain wilderness of the trans-Mississippi, Missouri Territory (Arkansas was not to become a territory until later 1819).

Do Middlebury College records show that he obtained a degree there before heading west?

HARRIET H. JANSMA
Fayetteville, Arkansas

Robert Buckeye, College archivist, reports that the College has no documentary evidence to support the statement in Henry Schoolcraft's autobiography that he attended Middlebury College. Buckeye's guess is that Schoolcraft might have been what today we call an auditor. The Schoolcraft family glass business had an outpost at Lake Dunmore and the renowned mineralogist Frederick Hall was on the College faculty during the period 1812-1814 when Schoolcraft would have been on campus.

Thanks from CC&P

Once again this year alumni have played a vital role in providing the most up-to-date career information for our undergraduates. On behalf of those of us in Career Counseling and Placement Office I want to express our thanks to all who gave advice and information to an undergraduate, offered an internship or externship, or came to campus to make a presentation.

If a graduate hasn't been called upon and and wishes to serve as a career advisor, a note or call will be appreciated. On the other hand, if a present advisor has been receiving too many calls and/or letters, I'd like to know that, too. Middlebury gradu-

TAX-WISE GIFTS

BY JANE BRYANT QUINN '60

MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR BEST INVESTMENT

Many alumni, looking back over their years of investing, say that real estate was their wisest move. They've made more money on their own homes, their second homes, their raw land and commercial property ventures, than on anything else they ever tried.

But in many parts of the country, the fire has gone out of real estate inflation. If you sell, you pay high taxes. If you hold, you're paying higher property taxes and may not be getting the appreciation you'd like. If you're holding rental or commercial properties, you have to manage them, like it or not. And the tax write-offs aren't what they used to be.

Even if you hold only your own home and a vacation home, there comes a point—especially for retired alumni—when shuttling between them isn't the fun it used to be. Some of us even get tired of our big family homes.

You can save some taxes, and help Middlebury at the same time, by making inventive use of all those real estate gains that you've racked up. Here are the four most popular kinds of arrangements:

RETAINED LIFE ESTATE: This idea works even for people who have just one home. You give the house to the College but retain the right to live in it for life. You can use a retained life estate for making gifts of a personal residence, vacation homes, and farms.

You get an immediate income-tax deduction. The amount comes from a government table and depends on how old you are. Take a couple aged 75 and 77, giving the College a house worth $400,000. Their deduction would be about $128,000.

You don't even have to live in the house. You can rent it out. The College will ask you to cover the carrying costs: taxes, insurance, upkeep, and so on.

The ultimate effect of this transaction is to leave the house to the College when you die. But unlike leaving it in your will, you get a tax break while you're still alive.

Under special circumstances (ask the College's Planned Giving staff about them), you can transfer your house to the College, live in it for life, and get a lifetime income, too.

LIFE INCOME TRUST: This approach also showers you with goodies. You get an income from the gift. You avoid all the capital gains taxes that you would otherwise pay when the property is sold. And you get an immediate tax deduction.

To achieve all this you set up a Charitable Remainder Unitrust and deed your property to Middlebury as trustee. Middlebury sells it and pays you an income from the net investment proceeds.

You say you'd rather have some of that money yourself? Fine. You can transfer just part of the property to the unitrust. When it's sold, that part goes to the trust to pay you an income, and you keep the rest.

OUTRIGHT GIFT: If you want to keep things simple, just give the property to the College, without fuss or strings. Unless there's a special investment reason for hanging on to the real estate, Middlebury will sell it and make good use of the proceeds. You can even choose how this gift will be used. For example, you might set up a named scholarship or professorship.

GIFTS OF PARTIAL INTEREST: If the gift of a whole property is too heavy for you right now, consider giving Middlebury an interest in it. This usually takes the form of an "undivided fractional interest." Say, for example, that you plan to move to a smaller house. You give the college a one-third interest in your present house before you sell it. Middlebury will then get one-third of the proceeds of the sale.

As usual, Middlebury's gift planners have imaginative ways of getting double duty from assets—ways that you and your financial advisors may not be thinking about. Both you and the College have a lot to gain by giving Mike Schoenfeld in the Planned Giving Office a call. You can reach him, as always, at Kirk Alumni Center, (802)388-3711, extension 5200.

Jane Bryant Quinn writes columns on personal finance for Newsweek *and* Woman's Day *and her twice-weekly column for the* Washington Post *is syndicated to more than 250 newspapers. She recently hosted her own series on the Public Broadcasting System, called "Take Charge!" and is the author of* Everyone's Money Book, *published by Delacorte Press.*

ates are among the most active alumni groups in the country at giving students good career information. This is appreciated by all of us on campus.

STEPHEN F. JOHANSSON
Director, Career Counseling and Placement
Middlebury, VT

Balancing acts

I was delighted to read the article about the contributions that Peggy Nelson has made to the education of Middlebury students for 14 years (Spring 1989).

As one of her first students at Middlebury, I was impressed by Peggy's involvement in her courses and compassion for her students. As a babysitter for her children, I was equally impressed with her devotion to her family and her ability to maintain a balance between her family and career.

Now that I am a parent, I realize the magnitude of what Peggy achieved. She made what must have been a delicate balance appear simple.

She served as a role model for me and had an enormous influence on my decision to enter the health care field.

I am thrilled to see that her impact on the education of Middlebury students has endured.

DEBBY KITTAY '78
New York, NY

Feminist models

I was very pleased to see Leslie Virostek's excellent article on Professor Margaret Nelson in the Spring issue of *Middlebury College Magazine*. I am deeply appreciative of the many fine teachers I had at Middlebury, but I regret that both women professors and feminist viewpoints were so scarce during my years on campus (1968-1972). It is affirming to know that Middlebury is moving—albeit belatedly—to appoint and promote more women, and heartening to read that feminist teachers and scholars like Nelson are available to today's Middlebury students.

BARBARA MELOSH '72
Washington, DC

Educating people

I believe that sociology professor Margaret Nelson should have presented at least one more possible answer to the question, "what is the purpose of education?" than she appeared to present in the Spring 1989 article "Taking Measure of Women's Work." That answer would be that education in general is a good thing even when it isn't used for any purpose beyond itself.

Perhaps she did present this answer but the article didn't show clearly that she did.

Perhaps I am wrong but when I risk guessing about what people would choose to have if they had more choices about what they got, I guess that one thing they would want would be more vacation trips. More trips would be good in ways certainly but it could also under some circumstances mean there would be less time for people themselves.

One of the most significant events of the last ten years of my life was my high school reunion. I was impressed by the number of people who came to it and I remarked that they came from virtually all socio-economic levels. The evidence suggests primary and secondary school experiences had been important to people in my class. Why? It's worth wondering whether as many people would show up for a reunion of a pool of secretaries. Asking that is a way of wondering whether people showed up partly because they received attention at school that they would not have received working at jobs.

It is always interesting to ask when considering strategies whether they result in people spending more time or less time moving towards people and being with people.

I feel unsure that I know what problem Ms. Nelson sees in our schools.

DIANA WOODARD '77
Boulder, CO

That was then, this is now

Frankly, I would love to see Middlebury fraternities abolished. I am not so naive as to think that will happen soon, however. So I support the proposed changes to the present fraternities. These changes could disrupt the present fraternities enough to be a catalyst for positive growth.

I cannot believe a fratless Middlebury will be "dullsville," Douglas MacKintosh. I did not spend time at fraternities during my college years. I did not have the time: there were too many other things to do, such as dancing, parties, sports, concerts, plays, and informal get-togethers with friends. I cannot believe that anyone with the intelligence necessary to attend Middlebury is unable to occupy her- or himself on a campus without frats. Moreover, what was going on within fraternities did not entice me and others. The reviews of gatherings in frats (even the favorable reviews) centered around dodging drunks, beer, vomit, and sexual advances. It can be said that fraternities foster friendships—as do special interest groups, student unions, dormitory living, non-fraternity parties, evenings in town (with or without alcohol), and community groups. This has been my experience at Middlebury and elsewhere. I spent my junior year at the University of St. Andrews in Scotland. St. Andrews has no "Greek" system, yet no one stayed home twiddling their thumbs unless they *really* wanted to do so.

It can be said that fraternities foster valuable single-sex interactions: so do single-sex intramural and intercollegiate sports, certain traditionally male or female interest groups, the Scouting programs (for those *really* interested in community service), and some living situations. What did fraternity brothers do for friendship and single-sex interaction before college? What will they do after graduation? Often fraternal or sororal relationships develop naturally. Ross Brown says, "Young men need male role models. Young women need female role models. It is just that simple and uncomplicated." He is, of course, right. What is also simple and uncomplicated is that young men will not find those role models in fraternities. The will find, instead, other young men in need of role models. The young women on campus are more fortunate, for many faculty and staff members are quite active in the Women's Union. The Women's Union is a support group to help women deal with life in androcentric culture and to assist them in changing that culture, ever so slowly. Perhaps a student/staff/faculty Men's Union could form to help men deal with living in a changing culture. This could foster single-sex interaction, provide young men with male role models, and replace the present fraternity system, which seems to pull against our changing culture. Young men need male role models who interact respectfully with women. Young women need female role models who interact respectably with men. It's just that simple and uncomplicated.

I'm afraid I don't have a long Middlebury pedigree. I do, however, have two cousins who were KDR men at Middlebury in the 1940s. Listening to the stories of one of them and reading Ross Brown's account, I thought those fraternities sounded like good organizations. I also realized that they were *not* the fraternities we have today. The bloodied mannequin is just one example of what fraternities are in the 1980s. Virtually every weekend, the entire campus puts up with noise, trash, and the danger of people acting under the influence of drugs and alcohol—with the fraternities the center of the action. The trash, theft, and any destruction (which can be significant) is not confined to fraternity houses, lasts beyond the weekend, and *does* become a problem for administration, faculty, and staff—as well as students—who must clean up and put up with the mess and loss.

Douglas MacKintosh asks for more tolerance. It is my experience that the head-turning that goes on now is almost as shameful as fraternity behavior. When the administration does not "tolerate" the problems the fraternities cause for the rest on campus, their hands are tied by long-gone alumni, who care, but who do not see the current situation. The combination of head-turning and hand-tying has provided disrespectful fraternities with the "adult" freedom to behave in ways the civil government outside of campus would prohibit.

During my sophomore year, I worked the Saturday late shift at the Zeppelin Room on campus. At one o'clock, when the parties officially ended, our clientele became loud, abusive, and destructive. On occasion, windows were broken. From the discussions going on, it was obvious that most perpetrators came from fraternity houses.

During my senior year, I house-directed in a small dorm across the street from one of the milder fraternities. In the fall, my dorm was constantly harassed by the fraternity; they held loud meetings and parties in *our* dorm and campus security had to be called more than once. A necessary piece of our television set was stolen repeatedly. Once we marked it with nail polish, we discovered it could always be found with some effort at the fraternity. One weekend a couple of fraternity brothers (although only one was caught) ripped our bathroom fixtures from the walls, threw a chair through a living room window, and dumped cleanser on the rug and furniture. At the end of each semester, we paid an exorbitant amount for dorm damage probably not done by anyone living in our house. The entire dorm suffered the harassment. My co-director and I had a particularly stressful senior year, trying to put an end to the harassment and fixing the destruction.

Also during my senior year, a meeting was called to deal with the question of women's safety on campus. Flashers and at least one physical assault were particularly at issue. When a fraternity leader suggested that the fraternity brothers walk women home, the crowd became unsettled—some snickered, some were horrified. Now, everyone knows a man will probably not attack a woman if he is officially walking her home. Nevertheless,

the reaction demonstrates the basic distrust many women on campus have for the fraternities. Although occurrences of date rape are often not reported formally (many women expect retaliation from the brothers more than justice), the stories do circulate in the unofficial sorority for purposes of self-preservation. The phrase "being thrown to the wolves" was repeated to express apprehension at being walked home by fraternity brothers. The bloodied mannequin confirms that distrust.

Ross Brown and other fraternity-supporting alumni: I enjoyed your stories about frat life in the past. Please hear my story of life with frat life in very recent years—and understand that fraternities as you knew them decades ago are already gone. Society has changed a lot between 1946 and 1989. Perhaps some of the experiences you had in your early adulthood will not be beneficial to a young man today. Perhaps the experiences you had will be better had *outside* of the fraternity of today. If fraternities are abolished or restructured, your memories will not be affected. The old fraternity houses will still stand—probably in better condition than they are now. A metamorphosis of the fraternity system is not threatening, but rather opens up possibilities for growth as men, as women, and as people.

CHARLIE GROTH '87
Trenton, NJ

Baby in the bath water

I am disturbed and disgusted by the current drive to ban fraternities from Middlebury College (Winter 1989). Some of my happiest times at Middlebury were spent at Theta Chi, and I deeply regret its demise to this day. Please add my name to the list of those opposing this heavy-handed, ignorant proposition. In particular, I am saddened that Professor Nuovo, whom I like and respect, has shown such insensitivity concerning this issue.

I am sick and tired of hearing about the D.U. incident. Is extermination now Middlebury's idea of appropriate discipline for indiscretion? Some reforms may be necessary, but surely the Middlebury authorities are capable of refraining from discarding the baby with the bath water.

JOHN LEE KRASNOW '70
New York, NY

Baby in the bath water, II

I want to express my dismay at what is happening to fraternities on the Middlebury campus. The remarks attributed to Professor Nuovo that "fraternities do not contribute to the cultivation of morals and good sense," and that the "only argument in their favor is that they have been here a long time and that they are difficult to get rid of" to me prove a lack of knowledge of his subject.

Enough said there. But I would like to add that personally I have thanked my lucky stars time and time again that I went to Middlebury and was initiated into a national Greek letter sorority before the moratorium. Along with my Middlebury education, my membership at Delta Delta Delta has served me well over the years. Wherever I have lived and even in traveling abroad, I have found loving and helpful "sisters" when it otherwise would have been a long and difficult process for a shy person like myself to make new friends with whom I shared common interests.

For example, when I lived in New York City in the fifties, through a group of Tri-Delta alumnae, I met wonderful women who came from all over our country and I still enjoy active friendships with several of them. Then, when I moved to Texas in 1964, I was ill and alone and also in a difficult working situation where I was spending more than full time with people with whom I had nothing in common. My church and Tri-Delta were there. I still have many good friends here whom I made during those early Texas years and, now a 50-year member, I still am part of the Tri-Delta group here. One year, a Tri-Delta helped me make a key job change. I am even in touch with the Tri-Delta group in my hometown in New Jersey although I have been gone from there for 25 years. A dear friend is a Tri-Delta who moved into that town long after I had left it, but through my former Tri-Delta friends, I met her because her daughter had moved to Texas.

No, I wouldn't give up these national contacts for anything. And I might also add, as far as fraternity secrets are concerned, if one could eavesdrop, I believe these secrets in all cases have to do with promoting high moral standards, even if occasionally we read of groups that get out of line. It is a shame that some of today's new so-called values are uprooting so many of the good things of the past. Or, to mix metaphors, aren't we throwing the baby out with the bath water?

BARBARA PEEK LOFTIN '40
Austin, Texas

Frats and freshman baggage

College freshmen arrive with lots of baggage—baggage more weighty than their material possessions. Fraternities of my day (the late 1950s) were bastions of racism, sexism, anti-semitism and antisocial behavior. They routinely devalued scholastic achievement. It was considered virtuous if not downright essential that a Middlebury "man" find his way into the poor pudding that was fraternity life. I thought it was sad then and it's just as sad now but, truth to tell, fraternities did not invent the evils which they so guilelessly perpetuate. I was always struck by the contrast between what was offered in the classroom at Middlebury and what was done with it or rather *not* done with it elsewhere on campus.

Free inquiry in the arena of contending ideology, confrontation with the great thinkers and artists of history and of our time, developing a process of intellectual growth and analysis—these are the bedrock principles of a liberal arts education, but stand up and say that in a fraternity and you'd be laughed out the door. Fraternity life protects or rather attempts to protect the prejudices the freshman arrives with. No need to transform oneself, no need to transform society, no need to learn, truly learn—that's too painful—and, most important, no need to grow!

As evidenced by their letters, fraternity "men" whether chronologically young or old are easily identified by their senility—the cruelty of senility preventing stretching or changing or personal growth. Abolishing fraternities at Middlebury is no panacea. Freshmen will still arrive with their prejudices wrapped tightly about them but just perhaps—for a few at least, a newly designed social system, one which fosters equality of the sexes, respect for individuality, intergroup cooperation and free inquiry will give them, and the society they will ultimately inform, a fighting chance.

J. PINDYCK MILLER '60
Brewster, NY

The future of fraternities

Considering the tenuous state of Middlebury's fraternities, the college community need only look at the recent past to predict the events of the near future. In August of 1985 in a glowing tribute to fairness and due process, the college removed the driveways in front of both Delta Upsilon and Chi Psi fraternities. This pointless action was taken without any notification of either house and was conveniently scheduled for a time of year when a deserted campus guaranteed no resistance. The fact that D.U.'s driveway had been built as a memorial to a deceased brother was completely and callously ignored by an administration obviously bent only

upon hurting these two organizations. With such a glorious tradition of administrative fairness and honesty, are we really expected to believe that the ultimate future of Middlebury's fraternities hasn't already been decided?

DANIEL WEXLER '85
Marco Island, FL

Categorically wrong

So the Midd faculty wants to abolish fraternities. On the one hand, propagating the "articles of change" is highly political, dealing with questions of who runs the College, who sets the tone. (The faculty is also questioning the winter term, which is more their natural turf).

On the other hand, speaking as one of the first of the Independents of the 1960s, I say it's about time fraternities were abolished, and I hope the students strike the fiercest blows. Perhaps fraternities are a shadow of their former selves but they are still worth abolishing because they typify the worst aspect of the class system in this country—what one writer called "America's dirty little secret." That aspect is invidious categorization, as I will explain.

For a college to endorse a fraternity system, and for students to participate in it, is to validate the basis of a whole range of inequities in society at large: from the simple snobbery of taste to the rankest prejudice and discrimination. On the spectrum of inequities that receive legitimacy through acquiescence are many forms of pathological elitism, including the "I've got mine, Jack" yuppyism and "Why don't they [the homeless, black youth, et al.] go make a million on Wall Street" Reaganism of the '70s and '80s.

I won't even touch on the issue of how fraternities perpetuate sexism and male chauvinism. (Did sororities at Middlebury ever rank with the fraternities?) Fraternities are bad if only because they promote arbitrary exclusiveness among men. For students to organize themselves in this way in their youth is morally stupid; for colleges to allow them to do so is wrong.

Fraternities and many social clubs exist because too many people, consciously or not, want to be in the same social category as others they like and identify with. They hope that being in this category will make them not only more comfortable in a world of strangers but feel superior to many—if not most or even all—of the other groupings. Particularly, if they feel safer away from and superior to those who can be excluded altogether because of their personal characteristics.

Unfortunately, a social category justified by that famous argument in defense of fraternities and private men's clubs, "free association," can't exist in isolation. One category of strict definition begets another; together they spawn a system. A full-fledged fraternity system, such as once existed at Middlebury, results in the systematic categorization of everyone, easily resulting in a finely graded, rigid social system. Most of this evolved at Middlebury without an enormous South Africa-like superstructure of laws and regulations, but the two systems ironically share some of the same principles. Let me describe the system as I knew it.

At the Midd of my time (1962-66), ten fraternities monopolized the social life of a small college in a small town in an isolated state. Dimly recognizing only one problem of this monopoly, the College had decreed that fraternities rush all the freshmen at the same time and offer every man either full brotherhood, eating and social privileges, or social privileges, all beginning in sophomore year. Social privileges were supposedly a benefit; in reality "social" was pretty low status. The voluntary option was Independence, which was a low social level that lacked a clubhouse.

While all men may be created equal, and may be brothers, fraternities and brothers cannot be equal. For the essence of a fraternity is to concentrate like-minded, like-bodied, like-spirited, like-bred, or like-this-and-that fellows, thus excluding those who are not.

We freshmen of the Class of '66 realized quickly that the ten fraternities could be characterized, somewhat easily in at least nine cases. Here's a quiz even Middlebury women of the early 1960s can answer. Match the name of the fraternity with the salient characteristic (all items alphatically arranged):

1) ASP (Slug), 2) ATO, 3) Chi Psi, 4) DKE, 5) DU, 6) KDR, 7) PKT, 8) Sig Ep, 9) Theta Chi, 10) Zeta Psi.

A. Animal house.
B. BMOCs plus animals with brains.
C. Far out; the 1960s started here.
D. Finger-snapping cool.
E. Least subject to satiric description.
F. Nobody here very exciting, maybe a bit academic, but OK.
G. Party house, often in dutch at Old Chapel.
H. Superior beings, also rich kids.
I. Surely they can't all be Ec majors?
J. Too many eccentrics and goof-offs.

Those are my characterizations. You can write your own; the categorization principle remains true.

Further, the fraternities could be ranked

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1 to 10 in status, though this was not generally done in public. I believe there would be rough consensus among the members of any class about a ranking for their year.

As an aside, I'll note that two of the fraternities were more like associations of non-conformists, and a third, Middlebury's locally founded fraternity, seemed to have the best cross-section of men. But all ten were Greek, and most or all had affiliations with nationals that had at least one discriminatory policy—no female members. (I believe one fraternity—rah!— disaffiliated during my time because the national had a color bar.) All were subject to College as well as Interfraternity Council rules. So I will not exempt the three least fraternal houses from my description.

In the edge of this system each year was placed a diverse body united by non-fraternal commonalities—membership in an age cohort (17-18), expected graduating class (plainly indicated in those days by the wearing of freshman beanies for a couple of months in the fall), class schedule (seemingly all possible 8 o'clock classes), eating place (Proctor Hall), and party places (McCullough Gym, Hepburn Zoo, and other non-alcohol-consuming areas). As individuals we seemed to come from all over, be 100 or 500 different types (though an outsider would have labeled the entire class monochromatic). Fresh out of high school as we were, the world seemed a new, bright place.

But as the year went by the men of this diverse body realized that the world on campus was to be less multiform, that there was a social structure of some importance to their future well-being. Namely, the fraternity system. For three years or more it would affect the quality of their social life and general social standing, not to mention diet and drinking, intramural sports participation (allowable social competitiveness; physics majors rarely battled chemistry majors on the playing field), even academic assistance (those famous house files of term papers and tests), and so on. The fraternity system was, the freshmen learned, pervasive; one house, for example, always provided the business manager of one of the most important student organizations.

Undeniably, the fraternity system would offer benefits to its members, often for a lifetime to come, as defenders of the system often point out with pride. To the freshmen an awful lot of future happiness seemed to hinge on which fraternity they would (or could) join at which degree of association. The alternative was like a sentence to Siberia. Independence meant a social life largely restricted to college-wide activities—little of that involving parties—not to mention three more years of eating mystery meat at Proctor Hall with the freshmen.

The freshmen recognized that attending up to ten smokers (rushing events) at the ten fraternities meant undergoing scrutiny and allocation into one of no fewer than 31 categories. Some men might get rushed by several fraternities and get more than one bid. This led to weighing of social benefits, such as: Is DKE better than Chi Psi? Is brotherhood at ATO better than eating and social privileges at DU? Are eating and social privileges at Zete better than eating and social at KDR?

I'm sure that 90 percent of the men of my class joined the system in one way or the other. The many commonalities we shared as freshmen gradually dissipated. As sophomores the men scattered to the ten houses for most meals, everyday socializing, and social events; as juniors many moved into the fraternity houses. New brothers of some fraternities were literally branded by their new identity (the College was reluctant to examine such barbaric initiation practices). I noticed that many men who joined fraternities took on at least protective coloration; at house X, they became more X-like.

Gone was the diversity, democracy, and camaraderie of the hallways of Hepburn, Painter, and Starr freshman dorms. After freshman year I saw some men who had been on my corridor at Hepburn perhaps once a semester, literally in passing. Unless we shared a course or a major, I scarcely knew some of them any longer.

And so the children took up their roles in the class system.

I think that those who were at Midd in the '40s, '50s, and early '60s, during the fraternities' heyday, can see in retrospect how odious this system was and what social monsters it often produced. It's not easy to defend a social system in which it was probably necessary for fraternity representatives to meet quietly (at the command of the College) and draw straws to see which house would reluctantly offer minimal privileges to the class misfits, with the hope that the offers wouldn't be taken up. A look at such a full-fledged fraternity system at work at an overwhelmingly white college makes it all too obvious why someone like Ron Brown '62, the new chairman of the Democratic National Committee, was the only black in his class, and why blacks and other "obvious" minorities have a difficult time at Middlebury and other similar northern colleges. No wonder that the four (probably more) gays in my class were well-closeted.

I think many of my generation can now see that college was the time of our lives when we should have sought maximum diversity among friends, acquaintances, and fellow students, not less. We pay the price to this day as we (some of us) struggle to overcome "natural" but hardening social attitudes. But continued categorization and self-categorization have put too many of us into literal or metaphorical locked-gate communities. The gates keep others out, but keep us in.

During the rush I questioned my commitment to everyday democracy (*liberté, egalité, fraternité*—oops!) over comfort and realism. Rejecting offers from two fraternities, I chose Independence. Independence exacted its price, for I certainly went to fewer parties and ate more than my share of mystery meat (I subsidized the Crest Room as well). When by dint of weekly all-nighters and temporary dearth of competing candidates I became editor of *The Campus* in 1965—no doubt the first Independent in that job in decades—I was probably too much of a lone wolf on campus to be an effective editorial voice at a critical time—Berkeley, Selma, Vietnam. Did I choose wisely? I shouldn't have had to!

After my freshman spring I was glad to see Independence become an easier choice for the next crops of fresh youth. In the late '60s and '70s I delighted to see the fraternity system suffer body blows. Now I am elated to see the so-called articles of change approved by a huge majority of the faculty.

The Middlebury College community should now carefully construct an egalitarian social system that befits its often-quoted description as "the College on the Hill." Alumni of my vintage should help the process without vainly arguing in behalf of a fraternity system that never should have been. The virtual abolition of fraternities comes late, but the College will be better for it in its third century.

ALAN MAGARY '66
San Francisco CA

He's against Brit bashing

Professor John Spencer's article on Kenya in the most recent issue (Spring 1989) displays a very contemporary disregard for the meaning and use of words, but is this to be encouraged at Middlebury?

For example, he makes the rather sur-

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John Berninghausen, professor of Chinese
Since the death of Mao Zedong in 1976 and the emergence of Deng Xiaoping as China's top leader, rapid changes have occurred in the lives of the Chinese people. The leadership of China has been championing "*tizhi-gaiga*" (structural reforms) and "*duiwaikaifang*" (opening to the outside) for ten years. Is China "going capitalist"?

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This course will discuss nutrition, body type, health indicators, and theories of weight maintenance, weight change, and weight disorders. It will also offer a workshop in stretching and movement exercises, cardiovascular fitness, weight and resistance training, and relaxation techniques at the new College Fitness Center.

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Ray Coish, associate professor of geology
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4.
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David Littlefield, professor of English
In a hands-on investigation of the experience of keeping a diary, we will read selectively from the diaries and journals of Samuel Pepys, James Boswell, and Virginia Woolf. But the main enterprise will be keeping our own journals and exploring (sharing!) the pleasures and pitfalls of the process.

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Susan Cook, assistant professor of music
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6.
A miscellany

Titles of this year's presentations include: "The French Revolution: Ideology and Reality," David Macey, associate professor of history. "The 19th-Century English Literary Response to the French Revolution," Robert Hill, professor of English. "The Role of the Arts in the French Revolution," John Hunisak, professor of art. "Contemporary Consequences of the French Revolution," Gary Meyers, assistant professor of political science. "Current Israeli-Palestinian Issues," John Walsh, College chaplain. "James Fenimore Cooper, Thomas Cole, and the Rise of Catskill Mountain Tourism, 1819-1829," Kenneth Myers, instructor of American literature and civilization. "Alcohol Use and Abuse Among American College Students," Yonna McShane, assistant director of health education and counseling. "Who's Still Afraid of Virginia Woolf," Diana Henderson, assistant professor of English.

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prising discovery that tribalism in Africa was caused by European rule. On closer inspection this turns out to be mere sophistry. Contrary to the dictionary meaning, he defines tribalism as tribal behavior only after rule by Europeans. Before rule by Europeans such behavior is only ethnicity. Eureka! European rule is therefore the cause of tribalism.

If I privately define duplicity as behavior shown only by those who study history at Middlebury, is it then true that Middlebury is therefore the cause of duplicity?

His use of the word "haussprach" (sic) also caused me some puzzlement. Professor Spencer presents this as a German noun, but it is in form a verb. If we amend it by capitalizing and adding an "e," we get "Haussprache," a fine Germanic-appearing noun. However, I can not locate this in any German dictionary. What is it? Perhaps it is corrupt slang used by a clique of historians to mean slang. Perhaps it is just a vaguely sinister appearing word (?) with which to bash the Brits. In any event, it is certainly a "Sprachsuende," or howler.

The headline writer apparently didn't want to be left out of the fun. He/she wrote of colonialism—and its "politics of greed." In the text "the politics of personal greed" was the system that evolved under Kenyatta after the Brits left. Rather the reverse of the headline.

Post-colonial Africa today presents a broad vista of poverty, dictatorship, war, and famine. Progress will not be made in curing this by racist logic, blaming everything on white colonial rule. Ethiopia and Liberia basically escaped colonial rule and are not exactly shining beacons of personal liberty and prosperity.

Yours for clarity in discourse,
ROBERT HISEY '52
Sebring, FL

A reply from John Spencer: First, my thanks to Robert Hisey for taking the time to read the article. Now to his comments.

He is right, of course, about the spelling of "Haussprache." There should have been an e at the end of it.

He is less right in saying that there is no such word. Our German department informs me that most educated Germans would recognize it immediately.

Finally, he is not right at all in his upper-register accusation of "racist logic" around which he centers his other comments. In addition to being oxymoronic, this disregards one of the main points of the piece, namely, that whatever the colonial background (here again, Mr. Hisey and I disagree), the "tribalism" and corruption that cripple Kenya today are home-grown, not imported.

Join the (Williams) club

As Secretary of the new Williams Club in New York, I'd like to invite graduates of Middlebury College to join the club as official members. Although we've added more than 1,000 Williams members since our reconstruction, entirely new facilities give us room for additional affiliate members. Six other NESCAC colleges are among those already affiliated with us.

Please note: At present we're soliciting only *resident* membership from those who live or work within a 50-mile radius of New York City, and we're putting non-resident applicants from affiliates on hold.

The advantages of membership include:

Midtown location—The Williams Club is located just south of Grand Central between Park and Madison Avenues. It's a completely renovated double brownstone with two new floors added on top.

Lunch, dinner, and drinks are served every weekday in two elegant first-floor dining rooms and a downstairs grill room has attracted small-college alumni for more than 50 years. Six meeting rooms (with or without meals) are also available on the second floor.

Reciprocal privileges are available at a number of out-of-town clubs ranging from the Harvard Club of Boston and Washington's Army & Navy Club to the University Club of Chicago and the Los Angeles Athletic Club.

Moderate dues—Affiliate members of the Williams Club may be billed quarterly if they prefer: $118.75 per quarter ($475 annually) for those living or working within a 50-mile radius. The entrance fee is 50 percent of annual dues.

For further information call Kurt Krammer or Carol Getz at 212-697-5300. We hope very much that Middlebury will be part of our new era.
R. CRAGIN LEWIS
Williamstown, MA

Quotes and questions

I would like to see a roundtable discussion held at Middlebury College, in the near future, with President Robison further discussing his April 16, 1989, quote in *The New York Times*: "If you don't give when you leave here, I hope you feel guilty until the day you die."

Perhaps he could be joined by alumnus Felix Rohatyn, who could clarify the "purity" of merger financing (another *Times* quote, April 30, 1989).

Add alumnus Ron Brown '62 to stir the mix. And please have non-Middlebury alumnus Patrick Buchanan, with his loaded questions that few seem able to defuse on television.

Preferably a mix of student audience, parents, alumni, and faculty... and bombs away!
DOROTHY LAUX O'BRIEN '45
Manchester Village, VT

Athletic socks

The Middlebury College women's basketball team is offering a unique item to Middlebury alumni.

The Middlebury Christmas Stocking! Knit from Canadian wool with your name and/or graduation year in traditional Middlebury colors, it comes with three choices of designs: 1) Reindeer and Christmas trees, 2) sailboats and anchors, 3) hearts and dolls.

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This project will help fund our team trip to California next January! We appreciate your support.
KATHY DUBZINSKI '90
MEREDITH BINDER '90, co-captains
Middlebury, VT

Trekkies

We want to share with you information about the adventures we will undertake this year. Perhaps you have heard about the American Lung Association's 1989 bicycle treks—"treks for life and breath," they are being called.

On June 5, Alison Parker '74, a nurse at the College health center and mother of two, set out from Seattle, Wash., on a 3,400-mile bicycle trip that is scheduled to conclude in Atlantic City, N.J., on July 21. She will pass through St. Cloud, Minn., Milwaukee, Wis., and Wheeling, W.V.

On September 25, Linda Hadley, mother of Bruce Hadley '77, will set out on a one-month trip, Seattle to San Diego, Calif.

If we will be passing through your area, we'd enjoy meeting with you—and perhaps we can pedal a few miles together. Keep your eyes on your local newspapers—and you can reach us by sending a note to PC Trekker, 104 S. Main St., Middlebury VT 05753. We look forward to seeing you!
ALISON PARKER '74, Trekker #133
LINDA HADLEY, Trekker #104
Middlebury, VT

BOOK REPORTS

Girltalk About Guys: Real Questions, Real Answers

By Carol Weston, M.A. Spanish '79
Harper & Row, 1988, $15.95 ($7.95, Perennial Library paperback).

In her second book of advice for teenage girls (the first, *Girltalk: All the Stuff Your Sister Never Told You,* was published in 1985), Carol Weston answers "real questions" from her readers. Some of their boy problems seem straight from the days of bobby-sox and record hops: flirting, shyness, jealousy, ten ways to meet boys in school. Others have a contemporary edge: contraception, date rape, and incest.

Weston's answers combine the personal (she quotes from her own teenage diaries) with the practical (straightforward advice, lists of hot-lines, self quizzes, and reminders that life is seldom over at 15, or 13, or 11). Readers of *Seventeen, Glamour,* and *Cosmpolitan* (all magazines for which Weston has written) will feel right at home, while their parents should be pleased with this "underground Dear Abby" and her no-nonsense, respect-yourself advice.

Visonary Closure in the Modern Novel

By William R. Thickstun '77
St. Martin's Press, 1988, 208 pages, $35.00.

Death and marriage, E.M. Forster once wrote, are the two most common ways of ending a novel. Modern novelists, intent upon the expression of character, rejected conventional endings, with their obvious artifice of plot, because they were unwilling to destroy the illusion that their characters were real people, not figures in a fictional design.

Between 1910 and 1929, five modern novelists ended major novels with moments of vision: Forster's *Howards End,* D.H. Lawrence's *The Rainbow,* James Joyce's *Ulysses,* Virginia Woolf's *To the Lighthouse,* and William Faulkner's *The Sound and the Fury.* In each novel's final section, a woman has a visionary experience that transcends full expression in language and leads to a concluding affirmation or image of order.

While some critics have faulted these endings, calling them "feeble, artificially positive, or inconsistent with the works in which they appear," William R. Thickstun examines each author's work, arguing that they have created "an altogether new fictional form, drawing upon religious and Romantic traditions to attempt endings that would combine unconstructed vitality of character with the aesthetic demands of closure."

Walking at Brighton

By Dave Margoshes '63
Thistledown Press, 1988, 64 pages, $22.00 (paperback edition, $9.95).

The first collection of poetry by Margoshes, who published a collection of short stories in 1986, explores the strains and strengths of relationships between friends and family. From a poem called "IOU":

This is for all the debts
real and imagined
built up over years,
interest
going both ways:

slights, offences
sleights of hand, impatience
abuses of grace
failures to deliver.
This is an IOU ...

The Navy V-12 Program: Leadership for a Lifetime

James G. Schneider
Houghton Mifflin, 1987, 596 pages (photographs), $29.95.

The V-12 program, the Navy's largest World War II officer training program, was a partnership between the U.S. Navy and 131 American colleges and universities that produced 60,000 Navy and Marine Corps officers. It also produced, the author argues, an amazing number of national leaders. Facts, figures, and photographs are included from each of the participating schools; a page is devoted exclusively to Middlebury, and yields the fact that Daniel Patrick Moynahan, U.S. senator from New York, was a V-12 at Midd—part of what was dubbed the "Otter Creek fleet."

Against the Devil's Currents: The Life and Times of Cyrus Hamlin

By Marcia and Malcolm Stevens
University Press of America, 1988, 516 pages, $34.75.

Cyrus Hamlin (1811-99) was an author, engineer, missionary, teacher, baker, physician, laundryman, master builder—and two times a college president. As president of Middlebury College (1880-85), Hamlin's varied skills were put to work, as he almost singlehandedly saved the College from insolvency and rebellion.

Hamlin also founded Robert College, America's first institute of higher learning in the Middle East (a still extant school in Turkey). Writes one reviewer: "In Istanbul, the capital of the Ottoman Empire, Hamlin evidently was the life of the party. He set up a chemical testing laboratory, demonstrated Morse's telegraph at the sultan's court, baked bread for the British army during the Crimean War, shared Florence Nightingale's struggle against the horrors of military hospitals, and waged a vigorous battle against cholera."

New Prefaces toShakespeare

By John Wilders, John Hamilton Fulton Professor of the Humanities
Basil Blackwell, 1988.

When BBC Television embarked upon a seven-year project to produce the complete dramatic works of Shakespeare, John Wilders, then a Fellow at Worcester College, Oxford, served as literary consultant to the enterprise, writing prefaces to all 37 plays.

New Prefaces to Shakespeare is a collection of those essays, designed "to provide an accessbile account which avoids scholarly technicality on the one hand and mere plot synopsis on the other." Wilders, a Shakespearean scholar who teaches at the College during the Fall and Winter terms, and at Bread Loaf's Oxford campus in the summer, is also a governor of England's Royal Shakespeare School.

The Far Side of Midd

Student cartoons were alive and well read in the pages of *The Campus* this year. Here's a look at some of the cartoonists—and their work.

By Mary Ruth Yoe

I sit in class and doodle," admits Miguel Echegaray '91. "The sheets in my notebooks are full." Under the *nom de plume* of "Eche," the theatre and film major began drawing a comic strip for *The Campus* during his freshman year, but he's been drawing cartoons "since Algebra II class in high school" at St. Albans in Washington, D.C.

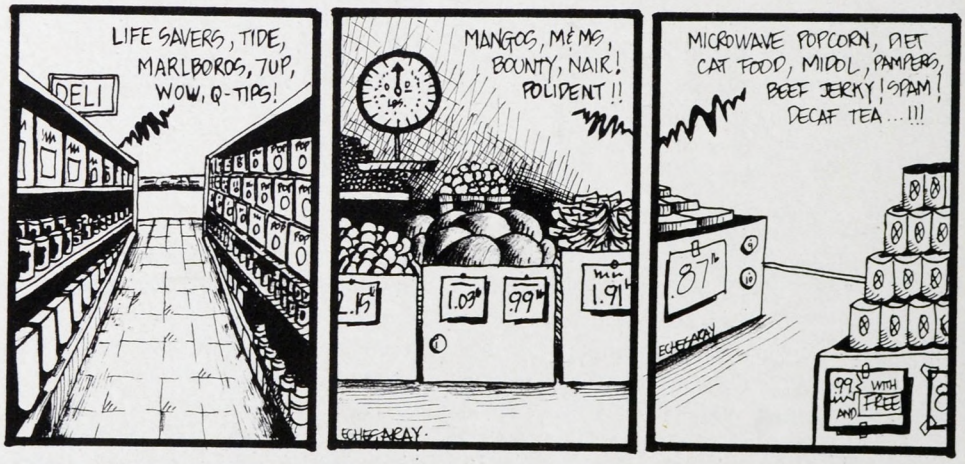
"Bedhead" takes its name from "a term used when you wake up in the morning—and your hair is sticking up in every direction." It's a "silly" name for a strip, Echegaray says, but the discombobulated image of the title character matches the artist's intent. "I try to get to the real problems behind social groups in general—or within the College—to make fun of groups for problems they're not aware of, for the underlying motives behind their actions."

The professional cartoonists Echegaray most admires are Quino (Joaquin Lavado, an Argentine political cartoonist known for "Mafalda," illustrations in which a little girl protests against the myths of consumer society) and Berke Breathed (of "Bloom County" fame). Both have influenced his own cartoons: "I have something of Quino's outlook," he says, "and I use the 'Bloom County' strip form."

Echegaray, who says it takes several hours to go from idea to finished strip ("I do it in pencil, then ink it over"), sees parallels between comic strips and filmmaking. "Both involve editing from point to point, building up expectations, and reaching a climactic moment. You could say a strip is like a little movie, a little comedy."

When Miguel Echegaray '89 tackles Middlebury events and issues in his "Bedhead" strip, he generally takes a step back: for example, a strip on the new Soviet student exchange (below) is also a comment on the United States' consumer society.

Although Echegaray is careful to point out that he does "the strip for fun, to entertain... it's not always me," he has made a guest appearance in a strip (bottom) on the nature of cartooning.



WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
DRAWING A CARTOON
OPUS RULES
OH YEAH, LET ME TAKE A LOOK AT IT!
NO, NO... ITS NOT FINISHED. YOU CAN SEE IT WHEN ITS DONE!
OPUS RULES
OH, COME ON... I JUST WANT A PEEK!!!
YOU WON'T GET IT!! I HAVEN'T DRAWN THE LAST PANEL!! WITHOUT THE PUNCHLINE ITS NOT FUNNY!! LET GO GO I CAN FINI---
OPUS RULES

In drawing cartoons about national rather than Middlebury issues, Amanda Washburn '89 had to gauge her Campus *readers' knowledge of off-campus events: "It's hard to know how much to include, how many little jokes you can put in."*

One of Washburn's favorite cartoons (below) combined two 1988 media events: the Summer Olympics in Seoul and the rough-and-tumble presidential campaign.

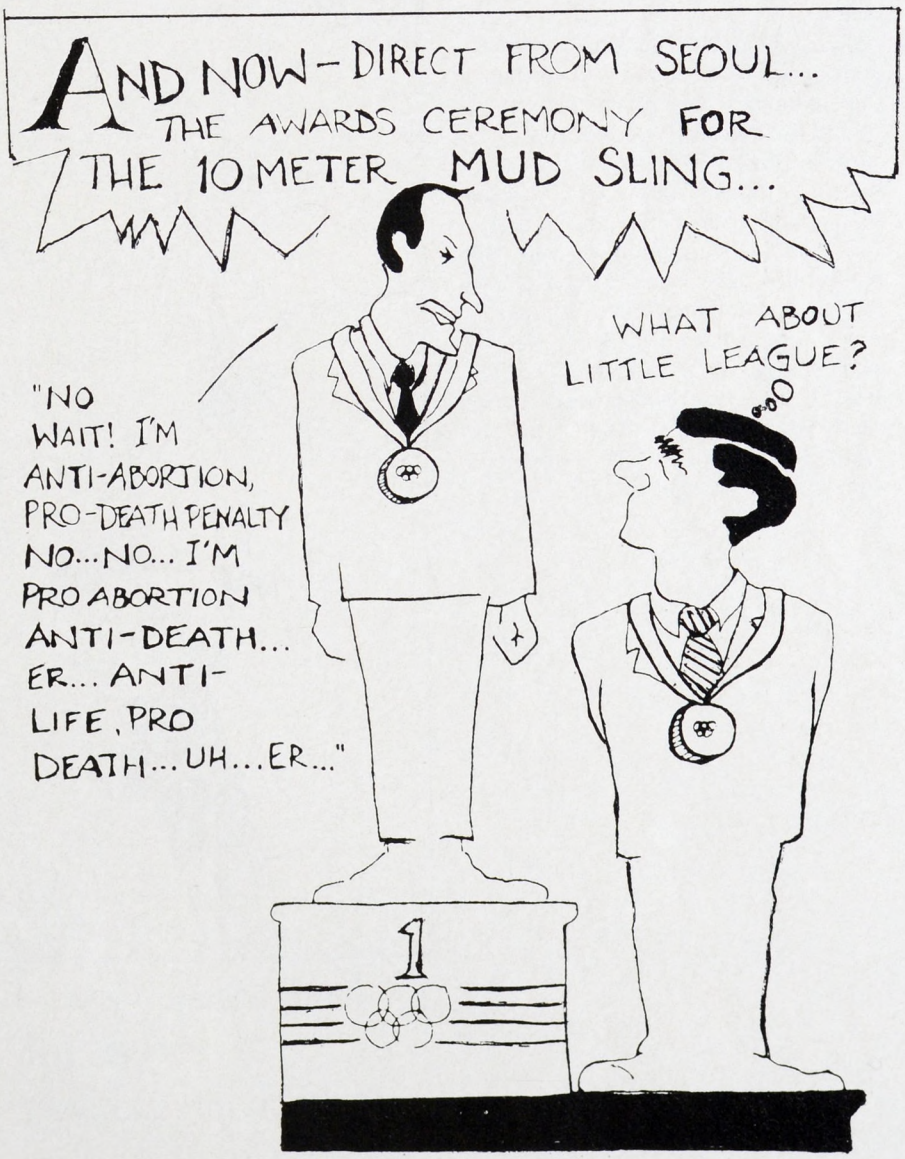
I started doing my cartoons because I felt the ones in *The Campus* were too much about school life," says Amanda Washburn '89. "I wanted something to remind everybody of the world outside Middlebury."

Washburn's one-frame cartoons turned up on both the features and the opinions pages of the student newspaper during the fall semester. (The double major in Italian and studio art had to give up cartooning to work on her senior art project.) Many of them dealt with the presidential elections: "This was the first year I've been able to vote," she says. "I'd sit down in front of the debates and take notes—there was lots of material there."

Washburn, who had drawn "a few" cartoons for her high school newspaper, got involved with *The Campus* because her friend, Elizabeth Wilcox '89, was features editor: "I sort of felt I was doing them for her—and I'd make the extra time on a late Sunday night. Also, I like to draw, so it was really no chore."

Her favorite cartoon featured a national topic that was also of immediate interest to Middlebury students: the computer "virus" introduced by a Cornell graduate student last November. "The staff really liked that one because, as computer users, they had to deal with the virus."

After graduation, Washburn plans a trip to Nepal: "I want to see the Himalayas." And, she says, "I'll probably take a sketchbook."


AND NOW - DIRECT FROM SEOUL... THE AWARDS CEREMONY FOR THE 10 METER MUD SLING...
"NO WAIT! I'M ANTI-ABORTION, PRO-DEATH PENALTY NO... NO... I'M PRO ABORTION ANTI-DEATH... ER... ANTI-LIFE, PRO DEATH... UH... ER..."
WHAT ABOUT LITTLE LEAGUE?
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The ideas come pretty quickly," says Sean Mattie '91, "but it takes me hours to lay it out." Mattie, a political science major with a minor in English, started drawing cartoons for *The Campus* this year because, he says, "I just wanted to put my two cents in."

Mattie first called his strip "Big Idea Comix," but that was "too presumptuous so I chose 'The Truth' as my new title." Both titles are revealing. Mattie says his approach to humor is "to be universal without being bland. I'd like to do stuff that the paper could mail everywhere and readers would still laugh at it—you wouldn't have to be immersed in Middlebury to get the joke." For example, his one-frame cartoons have been about sex in advertising, television, and the nature of humor.

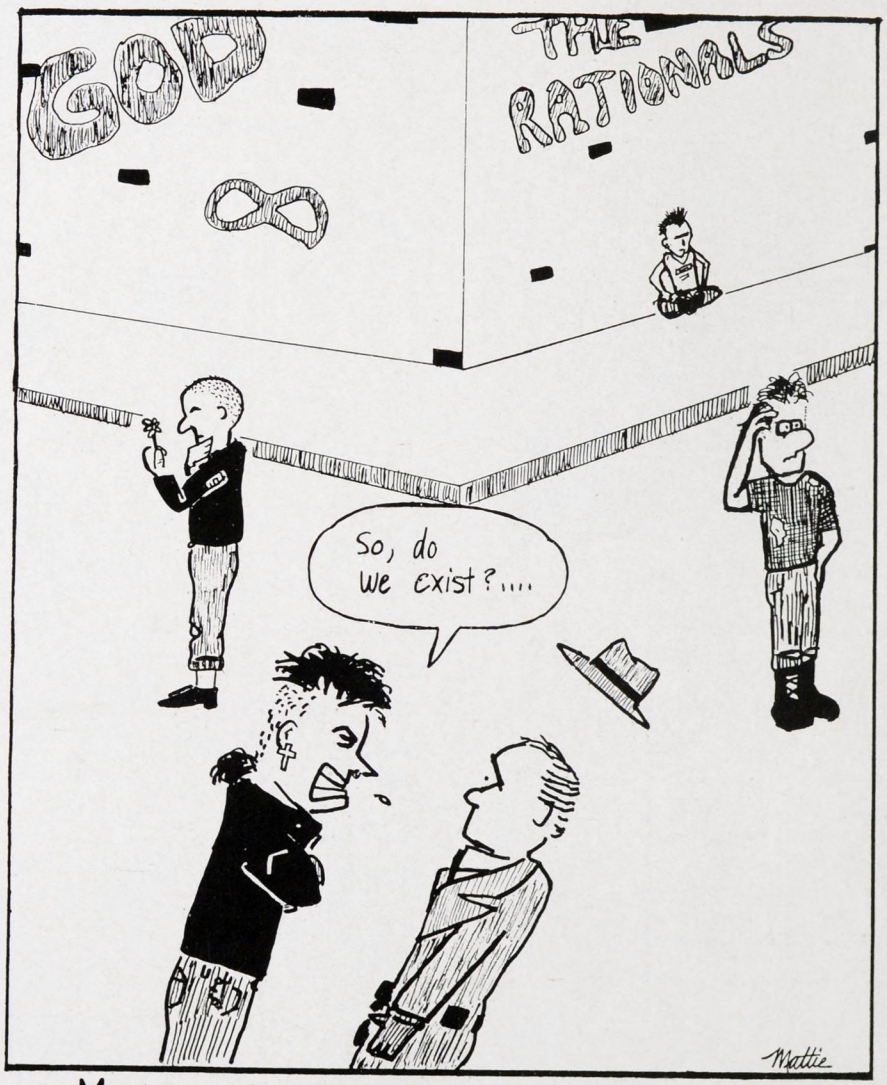
Until he started "The Truth," Mattie's drawing had been "confined to notebooks and margins." Describing himself as "pretty much weaned on comic books," he cites Will Eisner's *The Spirit*, and Steve Rude's *Nexus* as favorites. Of newspaper comics, he's a fan of Gary Larson's "The Far Side" (for inspiration) and Bill Watterson's "Calvin and Hobbes" (for its combination of humor and execution).

Drawn with felt-tip markers, Mattie's own drawings have a certain awkwardness. "I've never taken a drawing course, but it's something I plan to do." Will "The Truth" be back in the fall? Mattie isn't sure. "It's still an experiment."

"I'd rather draw a strip than appear in it," says Sean Mattie '91, explaining why he has never appeared in "The Truth."

With a penchant for "universal" subjects, Mattie doesn't lack for material: "Things just leap out at me." He considers himself somewhat of an unbiased observer: "I poke fun at everything."

Take the strip below. His targets are "both the high-minded philosophers and the contemptuous street punks. No one's safe—not even me."



Most people knew full well that the corner of Grove and Appleton was the local haunt of the philosophy punks - and stayed away.

Although "Clay Feet," the strip Geoffrey Kelly '91 drew for **The Campus** *this year didn't last beyond the first issue, it started out on the right foot (below).*

And Geoff Kelly kept drawing. Cartoons and illustrations he did for **Section 8** *demonstrated the same eccentric sense of humor—and the same fluidity. "My style is a little looser than any of the other cartoonists on campus. I just draw with ink—because I draw better that way."*

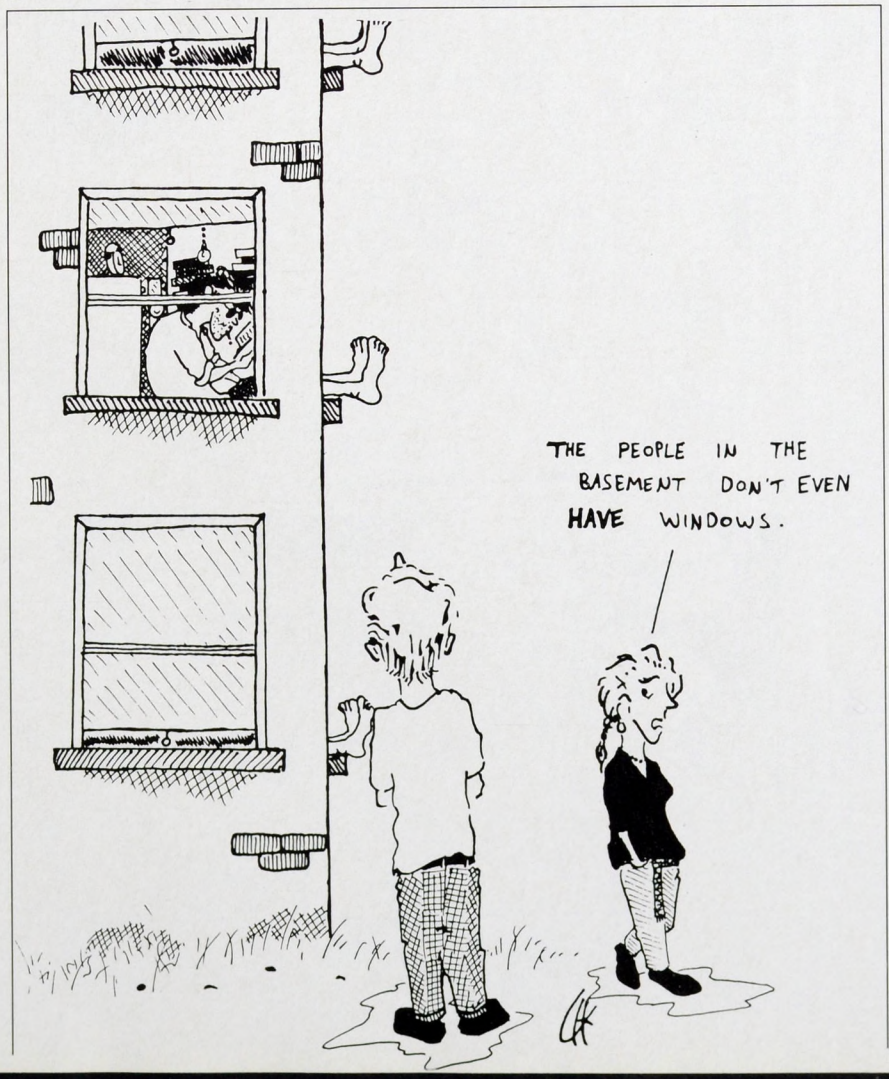
Cartooning is a really easy thing," says Geoffrey Kelly '91. "It's the ideas that are hard."

Encouraged to draw by a fifth-grade teacher, the English major from Aurora, New York, published cartoons "now and then in my high school newspaper." (He was also the newspaper's editor.) As a Middlebury freshman last year, he found himself rooming with another cartoonist, Miguel Echegaray. That year, he says, "we suddenly cornered the cartooning market at Middlebury."

As a sophomore, Kelly planned to revamp his freshman year strip. He gave it a new title—"'Clay Feet,' from a poem by F. Scott Fitzgerald"—and started looking for ideas. "But *The Campus* couldn't guarantee they'd use the strip on a regular basis, so I gave it up." He didn't, however, give up cartooning.

In addition to contributing editorial cartoons to *The Campus* ("I just keep repeating the idea of an editorial over and over, waiting for an illustration to come"), Kelly gave free rein to his own ideas in the pages of *Section 8*, the student literary magazine.

"I do cartoons to be funny," he says. "I don't even care if they're understood. You can find humor in things that you don't understand—and anything that is baffling is good for the imagination."



Drawing cartoons is the only thing I can see myself sustaining interest in on a daily basis for the next 20 or 30 years," says Timothy Berry '90. "And," he adds, " I'd like to be able to work out of my house."

A history major with a concentration in studio art, Berry has been doodling cartoons since second grade. In high school (like fellow cartoonist Miguel Echegaray, he attended St. Albans in Washington, D.C.), he was a cartoonist for the student newspaper, and he came to Middlebury fully intending to build up his portfolio.

"But I'm on the football team," he explains, "and that kept me busy that first fall." When he "finally got motivated" to do cartoons for *The Campus* this year, it was as a reaction to "a lot of cartoons that came down hard on the frats."

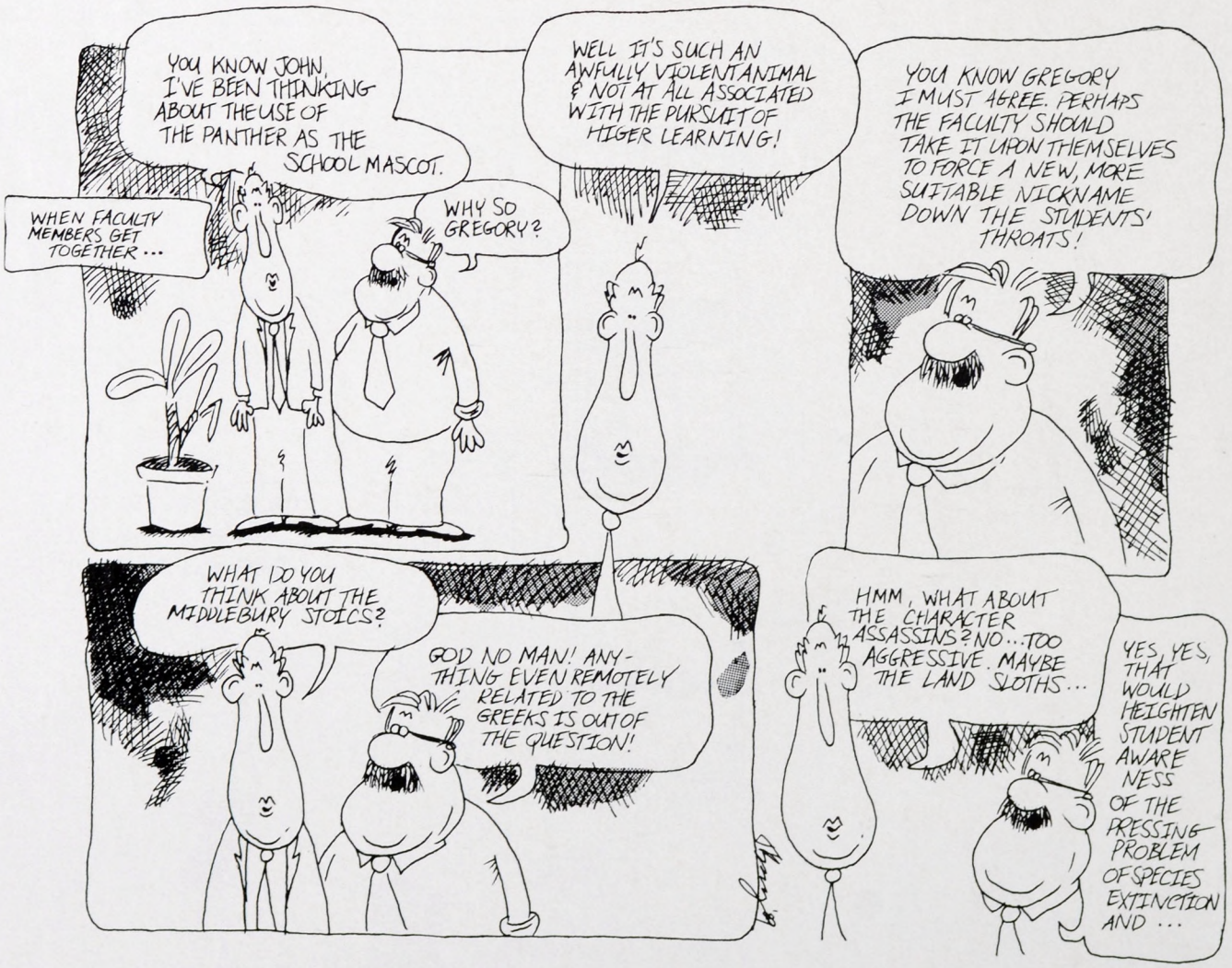
Berry, a member of Delta Upsilon, felt such cartoons characterized fraternity members "as a bad group of guys," and he wanted "to provide an alternative point of view." Enter "Alone in a Crowd," a strip with a title taken from the lyrics of a song by R.E.M. Berry's byline reads "Berry & Co" because, he says, "a lot of the ideas I get come from hanging out with my friends." While most of his cartoons have dealt with Middlebury issues, he says, "Next year, I hope to be more nationally oriented—I draw a good Bush."

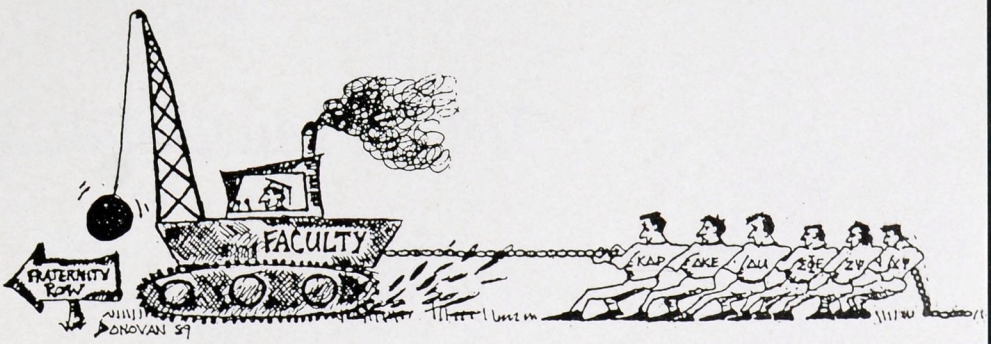
In addition to political cartoonists like Mike Peters and Oliphant, Berry admires a cartoonist for the University of Maryland's *Diamondback* ("He's the youngest nationally syndicated cartoonist"), "Bloom County," and "Calvin and Hobbes."

The proudest moment of his relatively short career with *The Campus* came when Dean of the Faculty John McCardell wrote a letter to the editor rebuttting Berry's cartoon on the College's 1989-90 fee increase, which depicted an inflated, balloon-like faculty member. Never mind that McCardell didn't like the cartoon: "He called me a latter -day Nast, and Thomas Nast was one of the greats," Berry says. "I have to take that as a off-hand compliment."

Tim Berry '90 pays as much attention to the mechanics of "Alone in a Crowd" as he does to its message. "Since I've started drawing the strip, I've honed it. I use a thinner line, I do more crosshatching, and I use more acetate shading."

Each strip takes "a couple of hours" to draw: "I sit down and draw it in pencil and then ink it in. I try to be pretty precise."


YOU KNOW JOHN, I'VE BEEN THINKING ABOUT THE USE OF THE PANTHER AS THE SCHOOL MASCOT.
WELL IT'S SUCH AN AWFULLY VIOLENT ANIMAL & NOT AT ALL ASSOCIATED WITH THE PURSUIT OF HIGER LEARNING!
YOU KNOW GREGORY I MUST AGREE. PERHAPS THE FACULTY SHOULD TAKE IT UPON THEMSELVES TO FORCE A NEW, MORE SUITABLE NICKNAME DOWN THE STUDENTS' THROATS!
WHEN FACULTY MEMBERS GET TOGETHER ...
WHY SO GREGORY?
WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT THE MIDDLEBURY STOICS?
GOD NO MAN! ANY-THING EVEN REMOTELY RELATED TO THE GREEKS IS OUT OF THE QUESTION!
HMM, WHAT ABOUT THE CHARACTER ASSASSINS? NO...TOO AGGRESSIVE. MAYBE THE LAND SLOTHS...
YES, YES, THAT WOULD HEIGHTEN STUDENT AWARE NESS OF THE PRESSING PROBLEM OF SPECIES EXTINCTION AND ...

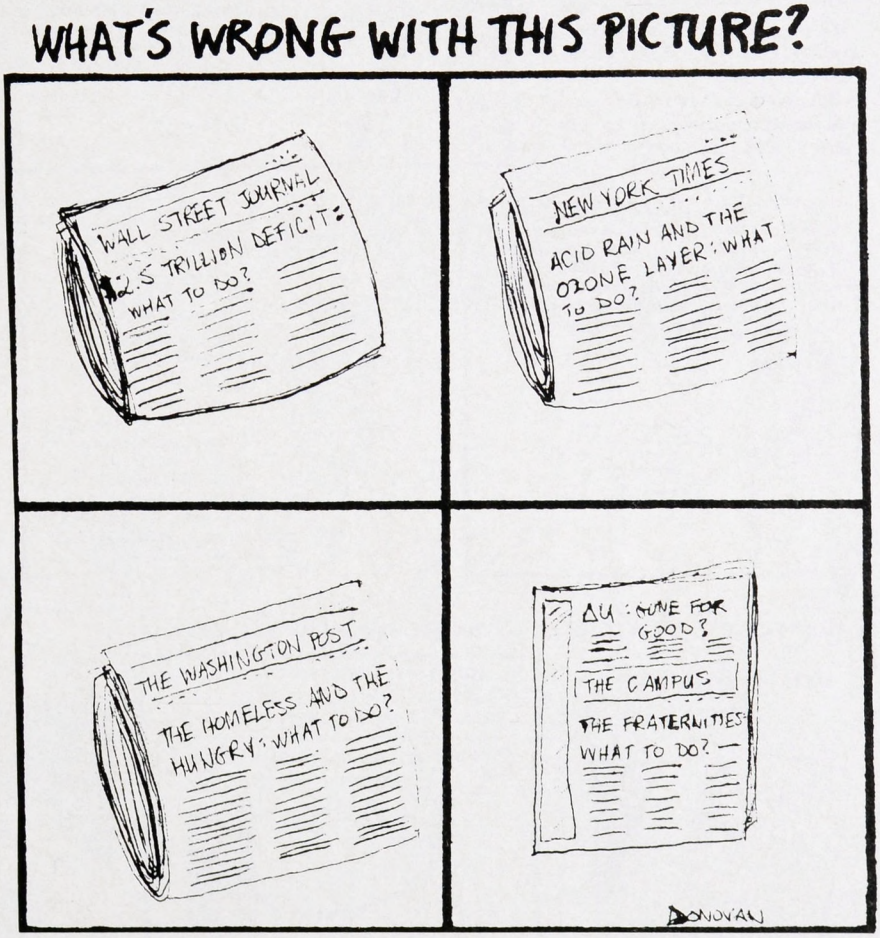


I think Olin's really hard to caricature," says Edward Donovan '89 of Middlebury's President Robison. "A lot of times, he ends up looking like Mike Dukakis."

Donovan, a biology major with a concentration in studio art, has always liked doing caricatures, both of people he knows and people in the news, but he didn't start drawing them for *The Campus* until his junior year, when he got a call from a staffer, asking him to be an editorial cartoonist.

It's cartooning on a tight schedule, Donovan says, and contrasts with his courses in studio art, where "a painting emerges over weeks." Instead, "the opinions editor will give me the article to read—or, if it's a real rush job, she'll read me the piece over the phone." It usually takes him about ten minutes to produce the needed drawing: "I may do a quick sketch in pencil, and then either outline it in pen or re-do it. It usually doesn't change much from the time I've gotten my idea."

In choosing an idea, Donovan says, "first I try to illustrate the point the writer is making, then—if I can—I also try to be funny." Despite the fact that he draws to match other people's words, Donovan doesn't see himself as a hired gun: "If I didn't agree with the article, I wouldn't do the cartoon."


WHAT'S WRONG WITH THIS PICTURE?
WALL STREET JOURNAL
$2.5 TRILLION DEFICIT: WHAT TO DO?
NEW YORK TIMES
ACID RAIN AND THE OZONE LAYER: WHAT TO DO?
THE WASHINGTON POST
THE HOMELESS AND THE HUNGRY: WHAT TO DO?
ΔΚ: NONE FOR GOOD?
THE CAMPUS
THE FRATERNITIES: WHAT TO DO?
DONOVAN

As an editorial cartoonist for **The Campus** *this year, Ed Donovan '89 illustrated a lot of opinion pieces about fraternities. He liked the illustration (top) of "the frats stopping a bulldozer labeled 'Faculty' from destroying their houses." Another Donovan drawing (above) accompanied an article urging the campus community to move on to other issues.*

THIS IS MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE!

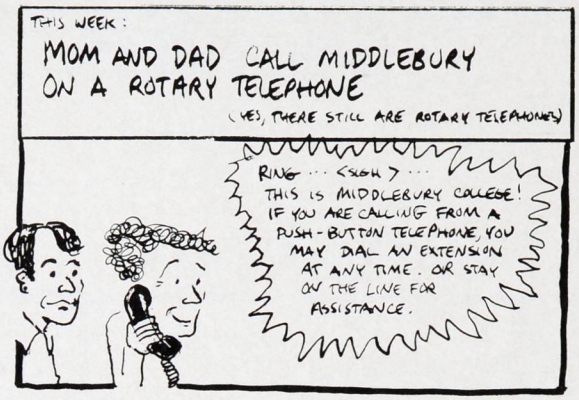
BY JEFF POTTER and PETER BETHKE

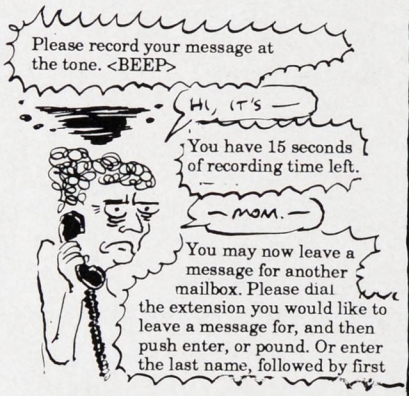
CLARIFICATION:

For those who need seeing-eye dogs, our cartoon is facetious. It's all in good fun.

For the record, we didn't mean last week's episode as a slur against D.U. individuals. Our cartoon was a humorous jab against the collective entity.

We thought that fact would be self-evident. Instead, some have deemed it not to have other than a chilling effect on the very heart of an institution dedicated to truth. Are we all happy now?


THIS WEEK:
MOM AND DAD CALL MIDDLEBURY ON A ROTARY TELEPHONE
(YES, THERE STILL ARE ROTARY TELEPHONES)
RING ... <SIGH> ... THIS IS MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE! IF YOU ARE CALLING FROM A PUSH-BUTTON TELEPHONE, YOU MAY DIAL AN EXTENSION AT ANY TIME. OR STAY ON THE LINE FOR ASSISTANCE.

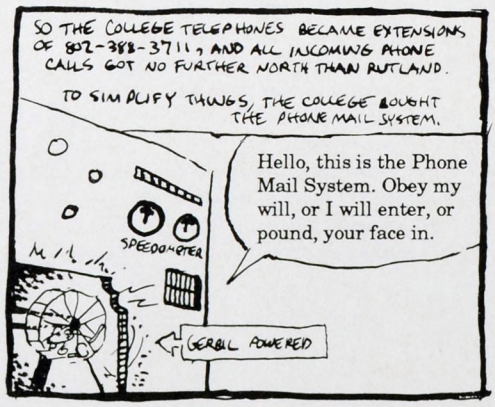

Please record your message at the tone. <BEEP>
HI, IT'S —
You have 15 seconds of recording time left.
— MOM. —
You may now leave a message for another mailbox. Please dial the extension you would like to leave a message for, and then push enter, or pound. Or enter the last name, followed by first

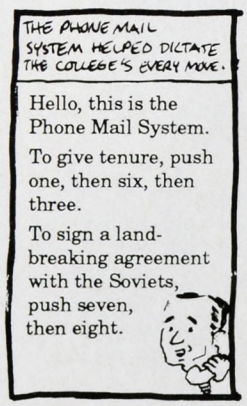
AND, FOR THE UNINITIATED: A LOOK AT MIDDLEBURY'S PHONE SYSTEM

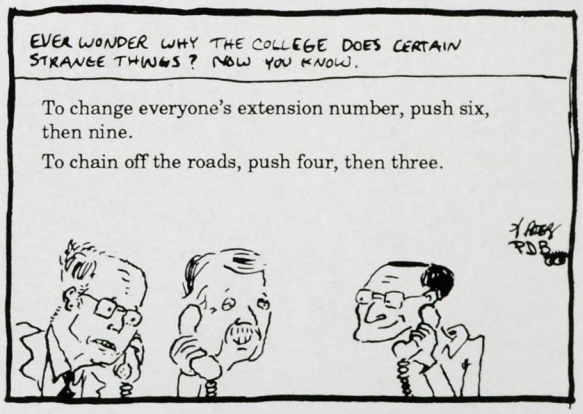
(first, understand that)

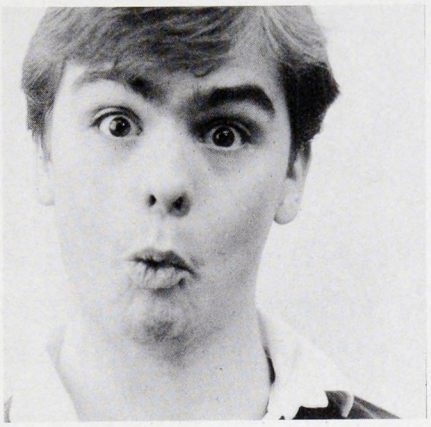
SEVERAL YEARS AGO, THERE WERE PAY PHONES, ONE ON EACH HALL DIRECTLY LINKED TO THE OUTSIDE WORLD.
SPRINT COLLECT CALL TO DAVE, PLEASE?

ONE DAY, THOUGH, THE BOYS FROM AT+T PAID A VISIT AND OFFERED THE SCHOOL A GREAT DEAL ON A CONSOLIDATED PHONE SYSTEM.
AT+T
STRICKLY BIZNESS, DOCTA'A', SEE?


SO THE COLLEGE TELEPHONES BECAME EXTENSIONS OF 802-388-3711, AND ALL INCOMING PHONE CALLS GOT NO FURTHER NORTH THAN RUTLAND.
TO SIMPLIFY THINGS, THE COLLEGE BOUGHT THE PHONE MAIL SYSTEM.
Hello, this is the Phone Mail System. Obey my will, or I will enter, or pound, your face in.
SPEEDOMETER
GERBIL POWERED


THE PHONE MAIL SYSTEM HELPED DICTATE THE COLLEGE'S EVERY MOVE.
Hello, this is the Phone Mail System.
To give tenure, push one, then six, then three.
To sign a land-breaking agreement with the Soviets, push seven, then eight.


EVER WONDER WHY THE COLLEGE DOES CERTAIN STRANGE THINGS? NOW YOU KNOW.
To change everyone's extension number, push six, then nine.
To chain off the roads, push four, then three.



The dual voice behind "This is Middlebury College" belongs to collaborators Peter Bethke '89 (top) and Jeffrey Potter '89 (above).

An obvious target for a strip that takes it name from the College phone system was, of course, the College phone system. An early cartoon expressed some of the frustration that rotary dialers felt when ringing up Midd, while providing some theories about the system's installation—and its omnipotence.

Featured characters include College President Olin Robison (under pressure from AT&T), and, in the final frame, Provost Bruce Peterson '56, Dean of Students Karl Lindholm '67, and Dean of the College John Emerson.

Last summer, when Peter Bethke '89 and Jeffrey Potter '89 decided to do a comic strip that would provide satiric comment on College issues and events, they began considering possible titles. And the winner was... "This is Middlebury College."

That's how the College phones are answered. "Before they re-recorded the announcement," Potter explains, "it was brimming with empty exuberance—and it seemed symbolic of the gratuitous enthusiasm that accompanies so much of what the College does."

Bethke and Potter wanted to poke a few holes in that enthusiasm, keeping some of the thornier campus issues firmly in the public's eye. Their first strip this fall, for example, revived an issue from the previous spring, the Delta Upsilon incident, and pokes at fraternities were a common theme all fall. But they also took on other issues, events, and minor annoyances: Winter Term, rising fees, the rising cost of Winter Carnival, and the laundry room.

"The strip has been successful," Bethke says, "because so many of the experiences are common. It's such a small place that issues get around fast." Because the College is small, Potter says, "I haven't drawn one strip where I haven't stopped to think that something might be unfair. At the same time, good satire *does* offend the people it satirizes." Bethke and Potter agree that the strips taking on the fraternities have caused the hottest feelings.

Their first strip this year proposed that everyone on campus should "adopt a D.U. brother," helping out the homeless fraternity with a gift to the "Fraternal Relief Fund."A caricatured Dean of Students Karl Lindholm '67 and Counseling Director Gary Margolis '67 make a plea for support. "D.U. made a mistake—or two—or three—but its brothers are paying," they plead. "Theirs is a broken home, with no caring and less beer."

Although Bethke, who will enter the University of Southern California's screenwriting program this fall, and Potter are both cartoonists, Potter—as the best caricaturist—drew the strip. But it was a collaborative process. On Monday nights, explains Bethke, the two met in the Undergraduate to "brainstorm over mozzarella sticks." First, they agreed on a theme (some weeks, they admit, "we'd rack our brains for an event"), then they visualized it—verbally plotting out what would happen. Potter did a quick sketch and Bethke critiqued it. Later, Potter did final drawings.

When Bethke stepped out of the strip at the end of the first semester to concentrate on his academic work, Potter carried on alone: "The first week without Peter was grueling," he admits. "With Peter, the strips tended to be more manic—we'd banter back and forth and get more wound up. On my own, the strip is more serious."

For Potter, a mathematics major who "began drawing cartoons in earnest in the seventh grade—as a way to shield myself from the horrors of junior high school," the strip has been a stepping-stone to other opportunities. He did illustrations for a cartography text by Associate Professor of Geography Robert Churchill, and Director of Residential Life Frank Kelley "asked me to make his end-of-the-year memo to students a little more user-friendly." (Potter provided typesetting and drawings—including a caricature of Kelley timing a student's departure from the dorm.)

This summer, Potter will start a job as editor of a weekly newspaper in western Massachusetts. But he won't be doing a comic strip: as he explains, "It's a kinder, gentler newspaper than *The Campus*."

Oh, Canada?

The historic U.S.-Canada Free Trade Agreement has students, scholars, economists, business people, diplomats, and politicians talking at Middlebury.

By Dwight Garner '89

Americans, it seems, like to think of Canada as if it were a fuzzy, cute animal—the kind people coo over in pet stores, the kind you might even want to reach out and pat on the head. It just seems so, well, harmless.

Canadians don't particularly like that patronizing attitude, of course. And if you were an American north of the 49th Parallel last year, you might have wanted to think twice before extending an unprotected hand. Anti-American (or at least pro-Canadian) sentiment hit a peak of sorts early last November, just prior to a national election that was more about Canada's individual identity—its "soul"—than it was about electing a Prime Minister.

At issue was the U.S.-Canada Free Trade Agreement, a seemingly innocuous bill designed to eliminate all tariff barriers between the two countries by 1999. President Ronald Reagan and Prime Minister Brian Mulroney signed the agreement in early 1988, and in the U.S., as one columnist noted, no one—"outside of editorial writers"—even noticed. So why were so many Canadians worried? After all, each nation is already the other's biggest single trading partner, with exchanges totaling about $166 billion between them in 1988. The FTA will merely brush aside the remaining 20 percent or so of the economic barriers, swinging open the world's largest unprotected border. Even with the huge difference in population (246 million vs 26 million), it was a move that seemed logical to most economists on both sides; the countries had been moving toward free trade for decades, and both sides, it seemed, could only benefit economically.

But if the two countries had been courting each other for decades, Canada has historically been reluctant to consummate the marriage. "Free trade agreements have been debated in Canada since the mid-19th century," said George Jaeger, the former counsel general in Quebec and political counselor at the U.S. Embassy in Ottawa who recently completed his second year as a State Department diplomat-in-residence based at Middlebury. "Each time they've been brought forward they've been knocked down. It's the fear the mouse has about climbing into bed with a rhino."

An attempt to pass a free trade agreement in 1911, in fact, gave birth to the still handy nationalistic slogan, "No truck or trade with the Yankees."

Last fall, as Conservative Prime Minister Brian Mulroney ran for re-election against the Liberal—and anti-FTA—candidate John Turner, the slogans were in the air again. At times, the atmosphere grew more than a little weird. Canada is supposed to be a nice—if icy—place (in the still Canadian-dominated National Hockey League, 16 of the 21 teams make the playoffs); maybe even too nice—for a long time, Gordon Lightfoot and Anne

Dwight Garner, an American literature major and former editor of The Campus, *wrote our Winter 1989 profile of former U.S. Senator Robert Stafford.*

Murray were among their most popular exports to the U.S.. But you wouldn't guess at that benevolence from Canadian campaign rhetoric in 1988: politicians climbed their bully pulpits and called each other traitors, liars, and power hungry rats, among the printable things.

It was almost fun, in a grisly way. One televised Mulroney-Turner debate exchange went like this:

Turner: "I happen to believe you've sold us out."

Mulroney: "You do not have a monopoly on patriotism. I want to tell you I come from a Canadian family, and I love Canada, and that's why I did it [sign the FTA], to promote prosperity, and don't you impugn my motives."

Turner: "Once a country yields its economic levers, once a country yields its energy..."

Mulroney: "We have not done it."

Turner: "Once a country yields its agriculture..."

Mulroney: "Wrong again!"

Turner: "Once a country opens itself to a subsidy war with the United States..."

Mulroney: "Wrong again!"

Turner: "...then the political ability of this country to remain as an independent nation—that has gone forever, and that is the issue of this election."

Demonstrators outside the studio held up placards reading "Free Canada, Trade Mulroney," and across the country impromptu demonstrations sprang up, as did

During the election campaign last fall, pro-Canadian sentiment ran high as Liberal leader John Turner looked over an anti-free trade banner in Vancouver.

AP/Wide World Photo

just-add-water organizations like BAD (Billiards Against the Deal), DAD (Dancing Against the Deal), and RAD (Rock Against the Deal). In Alberta, a farmer cut an anti-free trade slogan into his wheat field in 250-foot-high letters. Things were out of control.

Many intellectuals dismissed the protestors, calling them flag-waving "ersatz nationalists" and claiming that whatever individuality Canada had (or had left) wouldn't necessarily be harmed by the FTA. But others, like novelists Robertson Davies and Margaret Atwood, were vocal—and eloquent—in their opposition. "Nothing can alter the fact," protested Atwood, "that this is not an agreement among equals like the European Common Market."

Davies, in a lecture delivered last May in Edinburgh, Scotland, worked at drawing a line between the two national identities: "In psychological terms," he said, "Canada is very much an introverted country, and it lives cheek by jowl with the most extroverted country in the world—indeed, the most extroverted country known to history. ...Now, suddenly, because of a desire on the part of our government and our powerful and vocal business community, we are faced with the likelihood of what many of us see as, eventually, a takeover not immediately political but cultural, and, indeed, spiritual." Canada shouldn't let a "strong link," he said, turn into a "shackle."

In the end, the Canadian people decided. In November they re-elected Mulroney—a de facto endorsement of the FTA—by a fairly large margin.

Supporters of the Free Trade Agreement will tell you that Mulroney was re-elected because the facts finally got out about the agreement, in spite of the opposition's attempts to obscure them. Most of the dissent, in other words, wasn't quite as thoughtful as Robertson Davies' lectures. As one free-trade advocate said about the hysteria, "You can scare people in one sentence, but it takes a paragraph to describe how the deal is good for them."

Here's a brief summary of the FTA's provisions:

- All remaining tariff barriers between the two countries will be eliminated by 1999; Canada's tariffs, on average, are about twice as high as American tariffs.
- Many trade barriers in the service sector will be eased, in areas like accounting, architecture, and insurance.
- Customs user fees on goods will be ended.
- Most import and export restrictions on energy goods will be prohibited; provides for Alaskan oil exports of up to 50,000 barrels per day to Canada.
- Restrictions on American investments in Canadian companies will be liberalized.
- U.S. farm products—and U.S. wine and distilled spirits—will have greater access to Canadian markets.

Michael Claudon, professor of economics, argues that what all this adds up to is long-term stability—and a clear set of ground rules for government and business. "It's important to see that the FTA has less to do with tariffs—only the last 20 percent of those will fall, remember—than it does with providing security for businessmen and consumers," notes Claudon, who also serves as president of the Middlebury-based Geonomics Institute (formerly the International Institute for Economic Advancement). "Basically, the FTA protects against tariff surprises. If you're a Vermont businessman, for example, thinking about doing business in Canada, you might want to consider making large investments over there, like opening distribution and production plants. But there would always be the possibility that the Canadian goverment would throw up tariff walls, and you'd be stuck. The FTA protects against scenarios like that, and allows businesses to take the long view."

Any disagreements—and most economists think there will be many, at least at first—will be settled by a bilateral commission. This commission may help placate some critics, including Davies, who noted the "cavalier treatment the United States gives to international agreements when these agreements do not suit American policy." Said another Canadian trade lawyer: "For the Americans to say that their Supreme Court will not be the final court of appeal was a huge concession."

The Americans also made concessions in "cultural" areas. Canadian industries like publishing and broadcasting will still be protected under the agreement.

In December, the new Canadian parliament finally voted to ratify the trade agreement. It went into effect on January 1, 1989. The sky didn't fall that day. But businessmen, economists, and politicians on both sides are already looking around nervously for the first signs of the FTA's effects.

"Free trade agreements have been debated in Canada since the mid-19th century," says Diplomat-in-Residence George Jaeger. "It's the fear the mouse has about climbing into bed with a rhino."

Early this May some of those people—about 100 government officials, economists, and businessmen—gathered at Middlebury's Bread Loaf Campus to assess the likely impact the agreement will have on both countries. The three-day conference, "Making the Most of the Canada-U.S. Free Trade Agreement," was put together by Claudon's Geonomics Institute, an independent, not-for-profit "think tank" based at the College. The conference featured lively debate, most of which boiled down to a simple consensus agreement: Free trade will only be effective if both sides have enough information—and gusto, really—to take full advantage of it.

When you gather a roomful of academics and government officials to talk free trade, much of the conversation can fly as far over your head as a flock of Canada geese; all that seems intelligible are a few stray honks. As chilly as the air could occasionally grow with all the micro-analyses and number-crunching, the blazing fireplace in the Bread Loaf library downstairs testified to a shared Canadian-Northeast U.S. climate. But the conference panels themselves often gave off some serious, if friendly, heat.

For example, Maureen Farrow, the

president of the C.D. Howe Institute, tried to draw some distinctive lines between U.S. and Canadian culture. But Peter Brimelow, a senior editor with Forbes magazine, issued a sharp rebuttal. In a paper he presented, Brimelow wrote that the United States and Canada do indeed share "a core of common values." Even the politicians are well aware of this, Brimelow wrote, noting that in 1982 Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau cut short one of his "fireside chats" because "chatting any later would have put (him) in conflict with the World Series on the American border stations. And at such moments of truth, Canadian politicians have no doubts about the cultural identity of their flock."

"My opinion of the FTA's implications for Canadian culture should now be clear," Brimelow concluded. "It has no implications."

While not everyone at the conference agreed that the FTA would have no cultural implications for Canada, most conceded that they would probably be minimal. In fact, in defending the FTA many economists have pointed to a similar agreement signed in 1983 between Australia and New Zealand. Even though New Zealand is tiny by comparison (3 million people vs 17 million in Australia), the agreement has proven to be so successful that the countries have agreed to remove their remaining barriers five years ahead of schedule. And concerns of a hostile cultural takeover have disappeared.

The centerpiece of the Bread Loaf conference was a videotaped "Quebec-Vermont Town Meeting"—more of a panel discussion, actually—attended by Vermont Governor Madeleine Kunin and Richard Drouin, chairman and chief executive officer of Hydro-Quebec, among others. Kunin took the opportunity to announce the formation of a cross-cultural commission between Vermont and Quebec to study educational, economic and cultural activities that can be developed between the two communities. The 11 Vermont members of the panel include Tim Soule '80, Franklin County Industrial Development Executive Director, and Middlebury's Michael Claudon.

At the panel discussion Kunin emphasized Vermont's French-Canadian heritage. "About a fourth of our population has a heritage in Canada," she said. "That's a strong linkage."

Middlebury's Daniel Nolle, the principal conference organizer and an assistant professor of economics, agrees. "We share so much," he said, adding: "The whole world is watching the U.S. and Canada right now. We already share the longest unprotected border, we're each others' largest trading partners, we speak the same language for the most part, and we have similar cultures. If we can't resolve our trade differences, that sends a chilling message out to other countries working out more complex deals."

Right now businessmen on both sides of the border, however, are less concerned with the shining example they're setting than they are about remaining competitive. And that's the way it should be, say the economists. Already some small companies have been surprisingly successful. Many Canadian wine-makers, for example, were sure that the elimination of price mark-ups on foreign wine would significantly damage their sales by letting in a flood of cheap imports. But the small Niagara Peninsula winery has managed to work the FTA to its advantage. By launching a U.S. sales campaign and hosting tastings in several major U.S. cities, the winery has sold over 800 cases of its finest white wine.

Another example: the Calgary-based Nova Corp., which manufactures petroleum products, said the rollbacks in tariffs should increase their profits by $15 million annually beginning this year.

Successes like these, as well as other Canadian inroads into U.S. markets, lead some to predict that by 1991 Canadian-owned assets in the United States will exceed the value of American-owned assets in Canada. Consulting groups on both sides have sprung up to help companies take advantage of the new rules.

Those are some of the success stories. Canadian nationalists like to point to another example: Gillette-Canada, Inc., just two days after the election, announced the closing of its Montreal and Toronto plants, leaving 600 people jobless. Gillette claimed the move had been in the works for some time and was part of a planned scaleback, but anti-free-trade groups were incensed. They charged that Gillette's move would be only the first of many U.S. pull-outs, now that the companies did not have to manufacture in Canada in order to sell there. Thus far there haven't been any other large-scale pull-outs, but many Canadians remain wary.

In the end, conference participants agreed that overall, the economic gains on both sides are likely to be rather modest; the northern tier of U.S. states could benefit considerably, however, as could Quebec province, which has a dynamic work force and industry with a high technology focus.

William Merkin, formerly deputy assistant U.S. trade representative who served as deputy chief negotiator on the agreement, noted that despite the careful and detailed negotiations, the grievance procedures will have to grow and evolve. Adjustments will have to be made—and the success of the agreement rides on the success of those adjustments.

Middlebury's Nolle talked about making appropriate adjustments as he closed the conference with a story about an American and a Canadian who were deer hunting in unspecified territory between Vermont and Quebec. With wonderful cooperation, the hunters shot a tremendous buck, and together they grabbed the buck's hind legs and began to drag it toward their car. They found themselves having difficulty, however, as the buck's antlers became tangled in the brush.

They passed another hunter, who offered a suggestion. They should try pulling the deer by its antlers.

The hunters made the adjustment—and after a while, one of them noted, "It sure is a lot easier pulling the deer this way."

"Yes," said his friend, "but we are getting further and further away from the car."

While the hesitation of Canadians as they enter into the Free Trade Agreement is understandable, thus far there have been few problems. "Of course Canadians are concerned," said George Jaeger. "Agreeing to the FTA was like jumping off a high-dive. It's an awesome, frightening experience—but it's also exhilarating."

In an average year, Canadians and Americans cross the border between their countries about 140 million times—now goods will flow just as freely.

"I don't think there's much danger that Canada will ever be the 51st state," said Diane LaFleur '89, an international politics and economics major and Montreal resident. "What Americans know best is Canadian beer; now they might learn more than cliches about Canada."

U.S. businesses might also find that their Canadian counterparts aren't merely the cliched softies they're made out to be, either. After all—as one Canadian columnist noted about his country's prospects in trading with the U.S.—it was a Canadian professor who first invented Rambo.

African-American Voices

The Class of 1993 will include 40 African-American students—the largest group ever to enroll at Middlebury. When they get here, what will they find?

By Ed Ernst

It's late at night and a group of students—several African-American students, several white students, men and women—are playing Trivial Pursuit. They don't know one another well; the situation is vaguely uncomfortable. The question for Michelle, an athletic, well-dressed black woman, is from sports.

"In what European city were the 1936 summer Olympics held?" asks Lance, a tall, deep-voiced black student.

"She'll never get it," laughs Paul, who is white. He's a history major and a sports buff—and yet he doesn't know the answer.

"Berlin!" says Michelle.

"How did you know that?" asks Paul, surprised.

"That's where Jesse Owens put his black foot up Hitler's Aryan ass," she smiles. Paul is still puzzled.

Jesse Owens' three gold medals, Lance explains, "proved that Hitler's theory of Aryan supremacy was false." He continues, "I thought you were a sports buff?"

A few more questions, and then Lance asks Paul, "Who was the first American to die during the American Revolution?"

Paul is stumped. "Paul Revere?" he jokes.

"It was Crispus Attucks," Lance says.

"I don't want to play anymore," says Michelle. "I'm getting depressed."

In this scene from a play called "Lab Experiment," Pamela Freeman '88 tried to capture some of what makes life difficult for African-American students at Middlebury; she focused especially on the ignorance of white students when it comes to matters of cultural difference. But she also tried to document less subtle—and more overt—matters.

In another scene, Lance counsels a freshman, Randy, who, while having great success in his classes, is having difficulty handling life at a predominantly white New England college. He tells Lance how, one night while he was coming home from the library, townspeople in a passing pick-up truck yelled at him: "Nigger, go home."

It happened to him once, too, Lance says, but Randy should remember: "Those people weren't from the College."

Randy offers an incident from a class discussion. His political science professor asked him what black people thought of the Iran-Contra hearings. "Why doesn't he ask me what my opinions are?" Randy asks. "If he wants to know what every black person thinks, tell him to take a damn survey."

And then, Randy tells Lance, there was an incident at a fraternity. In a flashback scene, Randy is at a party listening to Paul, the inept Trivial Pursuit player, brag about a fight against three bigger men. "You mean to tell me that you took on three guys twice your size and beat two of them so bad that the third one ran away?" Randy laughs, somewhat skeptical—but amused. "Yo man, you're full of shit."

"And what color is shit?" asks Paul.

As he finishes the story, Randy tells Lance: "I can't live like this for four years." Later in the play, he leaves school.

"Lab Experiment" was performed on campus three times in the last calendar year. First, in the spring of 1988, the College's Human Relations Committee sponsored a performance—followed by a discussion—in front of an audience of 100 as part of its "Issues in Prejudice" series. Freeman wrote the play in a playwriting/staging workshop; another 100 or so students saw it with other plays from the workshop. Then the dean of students office brought the cast back to campus for a performance and discussion in front of 150 freshmen at orientation last fall.

Yolande Smallwood '89 played the role of Michelle in all three productions. How "true" was the play? "Very true," Smallwood responds quickly. "Almost every scene in that play came from something that actually happened to a black student on this campus."

Smallwood came to Middlebury from Chicago in September of 1985, at one of the low points in the College's efforts to bring minority students to campus—and

Erik Borg

Why don't black students fit into mainstream social life? "At most parties on campus, all people do is drink," says Kikanza Ramsey. She doesn't drink — nor do most of her black friends.

in its efforts to develop resources to provide a positive educational experience for those students. Those efforts began in earnest in 1969 after the report of the College's Martin Luther King Jr. Committee. That report spelled out ten specific areas where the College should take new initiatives to provide educational opportunities for young black and Hispanic Americans; the King Committee blueprint still stands behind the current recruitment and retention efforts at Middlebury.

Central to that blueprint: In addition to seeking out the most qualified black and Hispanic students at top high schools and prep schools, Middlebury began an effort to seek out "risk" students—diamonds in the rough—from disadvantaged backgrounds; financial aid was increased. Programs were designed to serve the special academic needs of these students—a pre-enrollment orientation course in the summer before freshman year, freshman year programs in math and writing for students weak in these areas, and advising and counseling help. In addition, said the King Report, new course offerings should be developed to examine "aspects of race, poverty, and the urban crisis"; efforts should be made to recruit black faculty and staff to Middlebury.

At the time, the College had only a handful of African-American and Hispanic students. Under the new initiative, the freshman class of 1970 brought the first large group of minority students to Middlebury. By 1979, minority enrollment totaled 77 (out of 1,950 students total). James Williams '74, now associate director of admissions and coordinator of minority admissions, was part of that first group—and as an inner-city youth from Newark, N.J., he says, he was definitely "one of the risk cases"; his four years weren't easy, but, he continues, "I shudder to think where my life would have gone if it hadn't been for Middlebury College."

In 1982, a follow-up committee, named after the College's first black graduate, Alexander Twilight, reviewed progress towards the goals laid out by the King Committee. "We are far ahead of where we were in the grim year of 1968," the Twilight Committee reported, but "more needs to be done; the College is still too 'white' in its aims, attitudes, and behavior." There had been some slippage; in 1983, minority enrollment totalled 63.

By 1985 the minority student population on campus (mainly African-Americans, with some Hispanic- and Asian-Americans) had fallen to just 48—almost half of what it had been through the 1970s. A decreasing African-American enrollment followed a national trend; despite an increase in black high school graduates, black enrollments in American colleges and universities fell by four percent in the early 1980s. But at Middlebury, at least part of that decreased enrollment could be pinned on attrition; the College was losing almost a third of the minority students it enrolled.

As a freshman, Yolande Smallwood joined the Black Student Union, which was founded by that first group of black students in 1970. She found support and some close friends among a group of freshman and sophomore black women, who, like herself, had come to rural Vermont from city schools. Then, as a sophomore, she watched all of them leave Middlebury. "There are only eight black students graduating this year," she notes. "All the girls who were really my friends in that class are gone."

Smallwood graduated in May with a double major in art history and English. A graduate of the University of Chicago's Laboratory Schools, she was, she believes, better equipped to handle college academic work than some of her friends when she arrived. "A lot of students [who don't succeed academically and leave the College] do not have the right kind of pre-college backgrounds," she acknowledges. During her first years, she adds, the College wasn't doing nearly enough to help that kind of student—and even though some new efforts have been made (a new "writing center" and an expanded peer tutoring effort), more needs to be done.

But general problems with adjustment to Middlebury, Smallwood argues, contribute to academic difficulties in a major way: "A lot of black students' academic problems are not tied to whether or not they can do the work."

Black students have to deal, of course, with the same problems facing other students. "Financial worries are big worries," Smallwood notes. "You know, when students get bills saying you can't come back unless you pay. And then you've got to worry about whether you can find financial employment over the summer so that you can come back the next year." Working out arrangements for financial aid—getting parents to fill out forms, collecting documentation—is something more affluent students at the College never have to worry about (about a third of Middlebury students receive financial aid).

As an upperclassman, Smallwood willingly accepted a role—saw it as a responsibility, in fact—as an unofficial counselor to other black students. But her ad-

vice for how to cope with life on an almost all-white campus is stoic: "You have to just walk out the door in the morning and be ready for someone to ask you, 'why is your hair different?' or 'do you get a tan?' or 'do black people do this or that?' or 'do you live in the ghetto?' or 'are you on welfare?'"

Smallwood's father is an obstetrician/gynecologist; her mother is active in Chicago politics and the Urban League. She grew up in an affluent, integrated city neighborhood; the Rev. Jesse Jackson is a neighbor. "I've had white students ask questions like that throughout my four years here. I just had to learn how to deal with them," Smallwood says. "That kind of thing adversely affects minority students' performance here more than the administration wants to recognize. It's not a small factor."

Since her freshman year, Smallwood has been a vocal campus spokesperson for the Black Student Union. While she was happy to have a chance to perform "Lab Experiment" during freshman orientation, she wrote a letter to *The Campus* asking why the College did not make the performance a "required" event for the freshmen.

In November, a Smallwood column in *The Campus* asked why so few students and faculty members had attended the College's second Minority Advisory Workshop. A dozen high school and junior college guidance/college counselors, along with two Middlebury alumni, Leroy Nesbitt '82 and Cecil Forster '64, were invited to campus to review and discuss the College's efforts to recruit and graduate minority students. The two-day program included special sessions on teaching minority students, on interactions with the local Vermont community, and on the special student life concerns of minority students.

Smallwood admits to being surprised when, after spending three years haranguing the student body about its lack of sensitivity to racial issues, she was elected Winter Carnival Queen in February. "I have white friends who told me, 'The reason people respect you is because you do take a stand. When something is wrong you say something.'"

When Howard Fauntroy '89 and Yolande Smallwood first became involved with the Black Student Union as freshmen, says Fauntroy, the organization "was not active in the Middlebury community." In fact, "it was sort of reclusive."

Fauntroy, a four-year member of the Dissipated-8, is anything but reclusive. A political science major from Detroit, he came to Middlebury by way of the University Liggett School in Grosse Pointe, Mich., where he and two siblings were the only black students. His father leads Detroit's 4,200-member First Baptist Institutional Church. A Republican, Fauntroy intends to go to law school and eventually enter politics.

As sophomores, Fauntroy and Smallwood were part of a B.S.U. executive committee which decided that the organization "should have a more visible role in the College community." Fauntroy remembers: "There was a lot of complaining about not having real advisers on campus, about not having black faculty members, about not having necessary support programs. But the tendency was to complain amongst the group, rather than going out and saying something to the administration about it. We came in and said, 'We can't sit in the corner and complain. We have to go out and make an active effort to change things.' If you don't like things, change them—that was our motto."

The group set another goal for itself: "We felt that it was our responsibility to provide 'cultural enlightenment.' We were of the frame of mind that Middlebury students should not graduate without having some idea of what black people are truly like."

The more aggressive approach initially soured some black students on the organization; active membership dwindled to just a handful of the College's 50 or so black students.

But in the spring, that group brought the Rev. Charles King to campus. "Item," King boomed in front of 750 white Middlebury students in Mead Chapel, "whenever blacks and whites get together in social settings, they avoid putting white people on the spot about their racism." For an hour King harassed and shouted down students until no one objected to his basic premise: "White people are the cause of racism in the U.S." Then he apologized: "This might be the only time you'll ever catch hell from a black person. See the black people here? They suffer that way all day long."

And Smallwood and Fauntroy made a decision that year to move the annual B.S.U. fashion show from the friendly confines of the group's Coltrane Lounge to the larger space of Proctor Dining Hall. Attendance soared to over 200 suddenly smart-dressing students, with many faculty and staff members. This spring Smallwood and Fauntroy emceed their third fashion show together in Proctor. Smallwood, who did some modeling as a high school student, coached the models—black and white students—and choreographed the event for the third year, as well.

After the first year in Proctor, Fauntroy recalls, a black upperclassman came up to him "in awe." "He couldn't believe it was a B.S.U. function," Fauntroy says. "He said that he was proud of what we had done—and that made my day."

The fashion show—and its "After Party"—has become the major non-fraternity event of the spring social season on campus. Membership in the Black Student Union has picked up dramatically, as well. This past year, approximately 30 of the 60 black students on campus were at least sporadic "drop-in" attendees to the group's weekly meetings.

Not all black students at Middlebury find their niche as members of the B.S.U.

Troy Haynie '89 didn't feel he needed to be a member of a black student organization to be in touch with his black heritage: "I know my color. I believe in what I am. I haven't forgotten that."

When he was 10, his family moved from a predominantly black neighborhood to an integrated middle-class neighborhood in Norwalk, Conn. "We're not a wealthy family," he says. His father is a truck driver; his mother is head cashier at a grocery store. But his family made a decision when he was young to send him to private schools—first New Canaan Country School and then Saint Luke's School—where he was the only black student in his classes. "I've always had my schooling in a predominantly white atmosphere," he notes. So life at Middlebury was no surprise—nor was it difficult for him to fit in.

He's never had much contact with the B.S.U., in part, he says, because when he first came to campus he felt they were "more segregationist than helpful." The tendency among too many black students was to stick together—eating together, living together, socializing together—and in doing so they avoided getting involved in mainstream campus life. Choosing not to join that group, Haynie says, earned him "my share of dirty looks" from those students. That has changed in recent years, he suggests; he gets along well with B.S.U.

members now. "I think they are a super organization—and I probably should have taken part in it the last couple years."

A history major, Haynie has been a junior counselor and house director; he'll return to Middlebury as a residence hall assistant next year. He did a '70s Top 40 music show on WRMC for four years; he hopes for a career in broadcasting, whether he ends up behind a microphone or not. In a visit to a local television news station, he was told by one staff member that "one big thing I had going for me was that I was black. I was bothered by that, I suppose, but then again I wasn't."

He hasn't faced any major incidents of racism in his years at Middlebury: "I've heard people say 'nigger' in the t.v. room when I was there, and I stated to them quite frankly that I didn't appreciate that."

And there was a psychology course where a professor gave a lecture on the character traits of racial and ethnic groups: "He was saying things like blacks do this. Blacks do that. That they're lazy," Haynie remembers. "I was a little offended. I didn't say anything, but I noticed a lot of people looking at me."

He's "pretty open-minded" in dealing with racial issues: "Hell—I tell great black jokes." He has a poster of Buckwheat from the Little Rascals on his dorm room wall. "I'm black, I'm proud to be black, and I'm proud to be black at a great institution such as Middlebury."

"I don't see strong racial tensions at Middlebury," says Yolande Smallwood '89. "But there's a lack of understanding about minority groups."

Melanie Boyde '89 isn't nearly as benign in her appraisal of racial issues at the College.

"I have very, very bad memories of Bread Loaf," she starts at the beginning with freshman orientation. "I noticed that immediately people started to clique. I felt like I looked different; I do look different, and I talk different. I thought I was a nice person but I felt like I was being sort of shunned.

"The second day of freshman week this woman came into my room to see my roommate, and she wouldn't even talk to me, look at me, acknowledge my presence—in my own room."

Boyde's father is British; her mother is black-American. From the age of nine until 19, Boyde lived in Venezuela—so she has "a Latin side." She considers herself more Venezuelan than American.

Socially, she grades her Middlebury experience a "zero—not even an F, but a zero." Academically, the joint Italian/art history major gives it an "A plus."

Middlebury's problem, she says, is an absence of diversity in the student body—and an absence of appreciation of difference by those students. "I'm not talking about minority students per se. There are some white Americans from different backgrounds who probably dealt with the same stuff I did. I don't know what it is about this school that attracts so many preps," Boyde says. "The fact that a person is international or different should make another person be curious to know about you. But here the attitude is, 'Oh, no, she's different, there's no time for her.'"

As a freshman, she did find a friend with whom she shared a common perspective. Mumeka Mwanamwambwa '89, a black African woman from Zambia, lived next door in Battell. The two have been best friends ever since. But even after four years, she says, she has virtually no white American friends.

Boyde has had difficulty with some black students, as well: "There's racism among black people. Any black person is going to tell you that." She went to a Black Student Union meeting early in her time at Middlebury— "because I felt like I should. But when I got there I just felt like they wanted me to act a certain way." She feels she wasn't accepted by some black students because she wouldn't conform. "In my case—and this is something I heard from a friend," Boyde explains, "some students felt I acted like too much of a lady because of the way I walked, the way I dressed, and the way I spoke."

White students, too, seem to want Middlebury's black students to fill a certain role, Boyde says. Some students seem to want a black friend just to prove that they aren't racist. Boyde remembers one such friend from freshman year: "When she found out I wasn't from a slum, she seemed kind of disappointed."

Boyde channeled her own interest in racial issues into her work as a member of the Human Relations Committee, a group of faculty, students, and staff members charged by the College with hearing some harassment charges and providing educational programs on racial, sexual, and gender differences. The group's overall goal, is to "teach students to be open to different types of people," she begins. "College is a learning experience—that should mean learning about the people around you."

Her particular interest has been the special problems for black women at Middlebury. "A lot of black guys come to the College and don't want anything to do with you," she begins. "Most of the black men who are here are having a good time and they are in the mainstream; black women, no. Many more black men than women have cut from the B.S.U. because they don't need it."

Black men, she says, are intimidated by black women—or don't need them at Middlebury. White men won't treat black women seriously. "A lot of women have a hard time when it comes to social life," she concludes, wryly. "And if you have no social life, what's the point of looking good? Your self-esteem goes kaput."

That social difficulty can add to an already heavy burden. "If you're dealing with a black woman here who's adapting not only socially—but academically—it's really tough," Boyde argues. As a freshman, she faced immediate obstacles in her own mind; she overcame them. "You automatically think that because I was black, I was accepted. And you come here thinking that everyone else is so much better than you," she remembers. "And then you realize in time that no, in fact, I have potential and can do well."

Boyde doesn't think enough people at the College give these kinds of issues serious thought. "There are people here who are great," she says, mentioning, in particular, Associate Dean of Students Arlinda Ardister and Assistant Dean Martha Mathis, both black women. But Boyde was disappointed this spring when the Black Student Union invited President Olin Robison for a discussion. He seemed uncomfortable. "He came dressed up and everything, with no note pad, no pencil, no nothing. He sat like this—arms crossed"; she crosses her own arms tightly.

In that meeting, Robison himself called

attention to the fact that he had brought no note pad. He explained his role at the College as that of a chief executive with major fund raising responsibilities. He told the students that at its January meeting, the College's Board of Trustees had devoted an entire morning session to issues relating to minority students and diversity on campus; the trustees seldom give any subject that much time. He also talked about the College's new partnership with New York City's DeWitt Clinton High School (see page 43).

Black students said that as president, he should personally and publicly engage some of their concerns—and thereby make it clear to the College community that they were important. "People were telling him things that they feel," Boyde says. "His answer, basically, was that it was up to us to arrange things. He didn't feel like it was his position to do anything, that we should fend for ourselves."

Black students do make that effort, Boyde argues—but it's unfair to make them carry so much of the burden. "They want us to be the ones to teach—but we need to study, that's why we are here," Boyde argues. "We haven't been accepted here to teach people that 'no, black people aren't like this or like that.' We're here to study and live our lives."

On the Human Relations Committee, Boyde says, she learned that "when someone comes to you with a problem, you listen to them and assume they are right because they feel that way." Black students know when what they are encountering is racism—and when it is not.

"I've had problems with professors here—and I cannot say that they are racists. I can say truly that if I had problems it was because I wasn't doing the right thing—and so I got on the ball," Boyde explains. "When it's racism, you know it. You can feel it. It's a gut feeling. When a black person is telling you that an incident was racist, you should trust it. They've dealt with racism. They've been dealing with it for so long that they know."

After reaching a low-point of just 48 minority students when the Class of 1989 arrived on campus, recent recruitment and retention efforts boosted that number to 96 this year; the freshman and sophomore classes held 66 of those minority students.

Ali Wilson '91, president of the Black Student Union this year, applied to Middlebury and then visited for a weekend in the winter of his senior year at Hightstown (N.J.) High School; he hated it.

His student host abandoned him. Wilson went for a walk around campus in the middle of a blizzard—and got lost. Cold and wet— "I was in tears, actually," he tells the story—he walked up to "this house" and literally knocked on the door. "The guys brought me in and warmed me up"; he stayed at Delta Upsilon fraternity that night—and attended his first fraternity party. The next morning he was escorted to the admissions office for his interview.

Wilson had no intention of returning to Middlebury. But when the acceptance letters arrived, his choices were Middlebury and Morehouse College. His father, a New Jersey State correctional officer and a "strong, traditional father"—pushed for Middlebury: "He said, 'Ali, this is more like the America you'll deal with when you get out of school. You have to learn how to deal with these people.'" Wilson's plans for the future were to go to law school and to enter politics; that's still the plan—and Wilson, a political science major, willingly volunteers that he wants to be president of the U.S. someday.

His two years at Middlebury have been better than his first weekend visit. He did not join Delta Upsilon. But he lived with a group of D.U. friends this year in the small Atwater-Davis A-frame dormitories; they are a "blue-collar" bunch, he says, more "down-to-earth" than most Middlebury students. Wilson runs on the improving College track team, which is coached by the only African-American on the College athletics faculty, Martin Beatty '84.

As B.S.U. president, Wilson worked to develop a new "alliance" with the Interfraternity Council. At Wilson's suggestion, the two groups co-sponsored a campus volleyball tournament. Wilson and B.S.U. and fraternity member Ian Bolden '91 also organized a panel discussion on "Minorities in Rural America."

Both those events were controversial within the B.S.U. membership; some students objected to the apparent "assimilation" agenda. It was a stormy year for the organization, in general. Factions in the group labeled each other "separatists" and "integrationists." The so-called separatists felt the organization should continue to direct itself primarily to carrying issues of concern to African-American students to Middlebury students and the College administration, rather than trying to gloss over differences.

In the spring the group elected a new slate of officers. Dean Garfield '90, the new vice president, acknowledges that the emphasis will shift next year, but he does so diplomatically: "Every organization needs to emphasize certain things at certain times. We want to build on the alliances developed this year. But we need to build a strong base in our own culture."

Carla Sizer '90, who came to Middlebury from a virtually all-black high school in Newark, N.J., was elected president of the group. One of her goals, she said in her campaign, is to make sure the group provides "a comfortable place" where black students who have difficulty fitting into the "predominantly white world" at Middlebury College can come for support. That kind of support, she says, was essential to her during her first years.

Sizer is one of 12 children—and the first in her family to go to college; that causes difficulties, at times, with her older brothers and sisters. Her choice of Middlebury is a particular sore point.

"It was really hard for me to come to a predominantly white institution. My school counselors didn't think I could make it here; they wanted me to go to a black college," Sizer says. "I just felt like it would be a good experience for me to see what the rest of the world was like. I consider Middlebury to be a microcosm of white America—although I do know that the real world is going to be even harsher."

When she arrived on campus, "I set out to prove that I do belong here." She had academic difficulties: "I began to think that maybe my counselors were right." She had difficulties adjusting socially and was unhappy in general, "and that certainly didn't help my academics."

She joined the basketball team, hoping that would give her a place to fit in. But that experience created new pressures. She was the only black woman on the team. Even before anyone had seen her play, she says, the coach had dubbed her "the franchise." She had difficulties fitting in with the white students on the team; they'd go out for pizza after a game and wouldn't invite her along. As a sophomore, it was more of the same. This year, she decided not to play; she did sometimes play pick-up games with her old teammates.

Her studies continue to be difficult—"but it's getting a little easier." An American literature major, she plans to become a teacher—and a curriculum developer; she's especially concerned about the education inner-city black children are getting. At home during spring vacation, a younger brother was reading one of his *Dick and Jane* school books to her. "I don't think that kind of book is conducive

to positive learning. Black students in the city can't relate to the Dick and Jane life. They don't have a white house with a big picket fence and a dog named Spot," she argues. "When black children read these stories, they think they are inferior because they don't have all those things."

With her officers, Sizer has developed some new ideas for the B.S.U. next year. They hope to produce a regular newsletter, which can be mailed to alumni, as well as students; they've created a new position for alumni liaison, filled by Michelle Arrington '90. There are plans to renovate Coltrane Lounge, and they hope to hold an alumni event to recognize the occasion. They hope to sponsor more cultural and social events.

Working with Brenda Andrieu, a black woman member of the College's counseling staff, and Crevon Tarrance, another black woman and a local counselor with expertise in conflict resolution, they hope to bring black students together for private group discussions; this spring, for example, Andrieu and Tarrance led a Sunday afternoon discussion of male-female relations among black students.

Plans are also underway for a "peer counseling" program which will put next year's incoming freshman together with older black students.

The focus of the organization, Sizer feels, should be on filling the special needs of black students at Middlebury.

Signaling that clearer focus, perhaps, at the end of the year the Black Student Union voted to change its name. "Black is a color," argued Barbie Robinson '91, secretary for the group next year. "African-American is an ethnic description." Robinson noted that various African-American leaders—most prominently Jesse Jackson—had begun arguing for such a change in national usage.

Forty high school students from DeWitt Clinton High School were visiting Middlebury at that meeting as the Black Student Union membership voted 13 to nine to change the organization's name to the "African American Alliance." In its final meetings of the year, the new A.A.A. also proposed changes in its constitution. The old constitution called on the B.S.U. to support the interests of "all minority students on campus." In the new constitution, which will be completed next fall, membership in the A.A.A. will be open to students of any racial and ethnic background; but the purpose of the organization will be to support and represent the interests of African-American students through educational and social activities.

September of 1989 is likely to open up an entirely new chapter in black and minority student life at Middlebury. In a freshman class of 500, 40 of those students will be African-Americans; another 30 will be Hispanic-Americans. The campus minority population will almost double. Recent progress on racial and ethnic issues at the College will be put to a test.

One sign of progress: curriculum offerings are developing. A new concentration in "black studies"—a thematic group of four courses, roughly equivalent to what was once called a "minor"—entered the College catalog last year; it is coordinated by Frank Fairfax, an African-American instructor in sociology/anthropology who teaches courses on African music and cultural anthropology. African-American students usually find themselves sitting alone in classes among a sea of white faces; but this year, in several classes, groups of African-American students made up a solid, vocal minority.

Yolande Smallwood was one of five African-American students among 31 students in "Black American Literature" with Kenneth Myers, instructor in American literature and civilization. Readings included Ralph Ellison's *Invisible Man*, Richard Wright's *Native Son*, and Frederick Douglass' slave narrative. A discussion of James Weldon Johnson's *The Autobiography of an Ex-Colored Man*, Smallwood says, was particularly memorable. The novel tells the story of a fair-skinned black man who has been able to "pass" in white society: "There were some white students in the class who said, 'I don't understand the problem. He is white, after all.' That sparked a huge debate among white students and black students, because he is both black and white, and he's got to accept his black heritage. The novel was about the mental struggle he was going through, and I think it was hard for some students to understand."

Smallwood, Fauntroy, and 11 other black students were among 28 students in "Black History" with Barbara Bellows, assistant professor of history, last fall. "I find when I'm the only black student in a class, when racial issues come up you can feel sort of intimidated. In that class, it was more of a united front," Smallwood says. "Black students in the class felt like they really knew something—maybe for once they had an edge over other students. It's important to feel like you have something special to offer to a class."

Kikanza Ramsey '91, another member of that class, began it with some skepticism. "I consider myself to know a lot about black history," she says, and she remembers thinking: "Give me a break. This white woman can't teach me anything." And she found herself getting angry when Bellows began a discussion of the economics of slavery in an "intellectual, non-connected, non-emotional way." But by the end of the course, "I realized that I had learned a tremendous amount, and I felt like I had contributed a tremendous amount. She knows a lot."

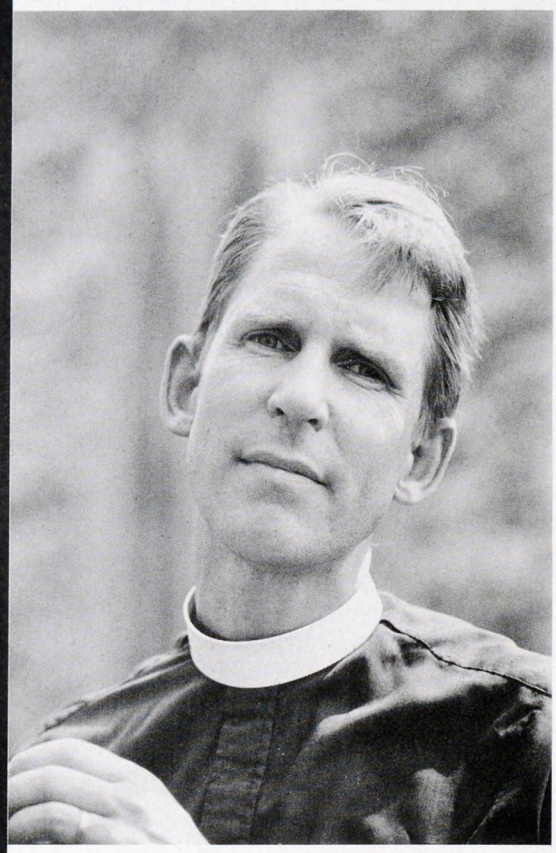
A key moment was when Ramsey's father and stepmother, visiting Middlebury from her home in Los Angeles, sat in on a class about the civil rights movement: "They got really involved in the discussion. We got into the issue of whether it is really a matter of race or are we dealing with economic stratification?"

For the most part, Middlebury's African-American students recognize that special efforts have been undertaken on their behalf—and that those efforts are beginning to pay off. To some degree, at least, the problems of African-American students derive from low numbers; admissions outreach has successfully recruited larger classes of freshman each of the last three years. Retention remains a problem; steps are being taken to reinforce the College's efforts to graduate every student who enrolls at Middlebury. A study is underway looking closely at why minority students leave Middlebury. The College is conducting a search for an academic support coordinator, a new position designed to help the College get special academic help to all students who need it.

The College has twice convened Minority Advisory Workshops which brought outsiders to campus to review its recruitment and retention efforts; those sessions brought criticisms—but they also brought suggestions and helped build consensus about directions the College should move. The workshop last October, for example, endorsed the DeWitt Clinton partnership—which was then still just an idea.

On a smaller scale: the African-American Alliance gave the College book store a list of products that African-American students can't find in town—and the book store has promised to do its best to stock them next fall.

"My freshman year," notes Yolande Smallwood, "there was no racial harassment policy; now the College has one. There was no black counselor in the counseling services; now there is. There were no black professors here; now there are three."



Just playing his part

As rector of St. Stephen's on the Green in Middlebury, The Rev. Addison Hall '69 preaches religion and social concern—and he's helped his community to practice what he preaches.

By Ron Powers
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The reunion-bound alum was dipping back into the feckless days, the green-and-golden days of Middlebury campus life, and he excavated what must be an almost primordial memory for college students everywhere.

He recalled the time he went to church.

"I came to St. Stephen's Church once, early in the fall of my freshman year," the alum reflected, a shade dramatically—he'd been a student actor, after all—"and I vividly remember walking back, after the service, up College Street, stopping at Sam's Market to buy *The New York Times*, and going back to my room, hanging up my black suit, and never going back again."

Well... not exactly *never*. (We all know about old actors and their quirky memories.) Things change over 24 years. Sam's Market is now Lyon's Place. And the feckless frosh thespian who never went back to St. Stephen's is now rector there.

A venerable rector, at that. At age 42, The Rev. Addison Hall '69 stands as the *dean* of clergymen in Middlebury, having served 10 years at the greystone church on the Green. No other local priest or minister can claim such an ancient tenure.

Clerical seniority after a mere decade is a jarring index of American transience, perhaps. But in this case it is also a testament: to one man's deferred but achieved vocation, to the harnessing of youthful, combustible brilliance and passion toward the quotidian ideals of stewardship, continuity, local allegiance.

The intense, slightly Icabodish young English major who grins out from the *Kaleidoscope* pages of a generation past—precocious writer, fiery actor of Albee and Shakespeare—has matured into a priest of eloquence and social focus. The early stagestruck ambition has cooled, but not the passion. Addison Hall's quietly charged ministry is his stage.

His "part" has evolved into a life of action and language, modelled, perhaps, after the exemplary life as conceived by one of Hall's favorite poets, Wendell Berry. Berry, the poet, essayist, and Kentucky farmer, insists that there is a connection between language and truth, between language and deeds; and that the life of language is inextricable from the life of community.

A long-time faculty member at the Bread Loaf Writers' Conference, Ron Powers will be a part-time teacher of writing at the College next year. A 1973 Pulitzer Prize winner for his television criticism and later an Emmy winner for CBS's "Sunday Morning," he writes a monthly column for Gentleman's Quarterly. *His most recent book was* White Town Drowsing *(1986), about returning to his boyhood home of Hannibal, Mo.*

In 1984 Hall's St. Stephen's congregation decided to make affordable housing the focus of their outreach efforts. That led to the formation of the Interfaith Housing Corporation. And this fall, ground will be broken for Interfaith's "Pine Meadow," a $1.5-million project to build 30 units of low-income rental housing in Middlebury.

Addison Hall's own insistence on the importance of language is evident from the pulpit at St. Stephen's (and Middlebury alumni got a taste of it when Hall delivered the Reunion Sunday sermon in June). His sermons are often laced with a puckish, self-confessional whimsey that palliates their fierce moral disputation. (A selection of "Meditations" by Hall follows this article on page 33.)

But Hall has advanced his love of language far beyond mere embroidery. He has emboldened it, as John F. Kennedy once remarked of Sir Winston Churchill, and sent it into battle. His eloquence tends to strike deep chords in people; it elicits a desire to emulate, to enlist. Just lately, Addison Hall's quiet exhortations have helped raise a staunch local army to join a vexatious battle in late-20th-century American life; the battle for housing that ordinary, un-"privileged" members of a community can afford. Yes, that battle has reached Middlebury, Vt. And Hall is a subtle but generating force within the Interfaith Housing Corp. of Addison County (no relation), which will begin constructing 30 units of low-income rental housing in town this fall.

"He was the initiating, driving force behind the whole thing," says Elizabeth Karnes, assistant to the director of the College's Language Schools and a board member. "He offers an intelligence and an articulation of our needs that is extraordinary. He's helped us weave this million dollar project out of the air, literally. You just know when you're sitting with him that everything is going to be pulled together." (Interfaith has negotiated a loan of just under $1 million from the Farmers' Home Administration.)

"He's very gently, but effectively, a leader," offers David Andrews, pastor of the Congregational Church of Middlebury and the board's vice chair. "He does not try to take centerstage. He empowers others."

Empowers, and sometimes incenses. As one new parishioner once remarked to him, more or less kiddingly, "You manage to say something in every one of your sermons that would have caused several congregations to storm the pulpit." Hall, for example, does not lecture on the greed and consumption encouraged by modern-day capitalism; he simply drops it, with some regularity, into his Sunday sermons as an established fact.

At times, the grinding of good Republican molars from certain pews is almost audible over the croonings of small children. Not everyone leaves St. Stephen's happy each Sunday morning—but they return the next week. Gordon Perine '49, long-time church treasurer says that in his 40-year involvement with St. Stephen's, "the church has never been in better shape." When Hall arrived in 1979, St. Stephen's had a budget of $44,500, supported by pledges of $31,000 from 123 families. For the current fiscal year, the church is projecting a budget of $148,000; 161 pledges will provide over $100,000.

My excitement about the ministry has always had a lot to do with swimming against the stream," acknowledges the successful rector, with an enigmatic smile.

And yet it took a period of flailing about on the shore before Addison Hall could bring himself to plunge into the stream.

"I had no real idea what I was going to do when I graduated from Middlebury," he admits. "I taught English literature and theatre at a private school in Stowe. I tried summer-stock theatre in New Jersey. I applied to Yale Drama School."

He wasn't accepted. "I told them I was interested in teaching, as well as in a professional career, and they had a highly professional orientation," Hall shrugs.

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"So that door closed."

The son of a Massachusetts farmer returned to his adopted state. "I holed up in my apartment in Warren and made a stab at writing—poetry, mostly," he says. "I found that I didn't have a subject. And so it was in that period, which coincided with my decision to get married [to the former Joanna Skinger, then a graduate student in history at Boston University] that I rather suddenly had a clear but un-dramatic sense that a lot of the aspects of my aspiration came together in ordained ministry and the Episcopal Church."

It wasn't exactly a shaft from heaven. Despite the hiatus of his college years, the Episcopal Church "had always been a part of my life." Hall's parents are long-standing Episcopalians—and an uncle was an Episcopalian priest. When Hall telephoned his mother to report his decision, he remembers, "She said, 'I always knew one of you would go into the ministry, but I never thought it would be you.'"

He attended the Episcopal Theological School in Cambridge, Mass., taking his divinity degree in 1974. He was soon ordained at the Cathedral Church of St. Paul in Burlington, where he remained for four years. It was in 1978 that Addison Hall finally came back to St. Stephen's in Middlebury, as its rector.

"I came here in large measure because I found here a group of people who were committed to ministry in the community," Hall says of his return. "They had in fact been committed for many years. That has always been a major element of my idea of what the church is for. My role here has been to keep my expectations for a serious, aggressive community outreach ministry very high—as high as possible, within reason, and given the politics of parish life."

The Interfaith Housing Corp. is an almost seamless extension of that aggressive community outreach.

The impetus for the project began at St. Stephen's in 1984, with an unexpected bequest from the estate of Sheldon Graves, son of the former Mary Sheldon, whose family members were the well-known benefactors of the town of Middlebury—and of St. Stephen's in particular. The congregation wanted to use the bequest to repay a loan for the renovation of the parish hall in the Church's basement, Hall remembers. But once the loan had been repaid, the congregation agreed, the interest on the bequest—about $10,000 a year—would support an annual community outreach grant.

Under Hall's leadership, the parish formed a committee to explore the best use for such a grant. It quickly determined that among the community's many needs, the need for affordable housing was paramount. The St. Stephen's committee then began to solicit the involvement of other churches. In August 1987 Interfaith gained its status as a nonprofit corporation.

Interfaith has since attracted the partnership of Housing Vermont, a nonprofit development corporation that builds affordable housing through a device that allows contributing businesses to receive tax credits. The Vermont Housing and Conservation Trust Fund has offered a grant. The United Way of Addison County has provided a loan. And Interfaith continues to grow.

As pleased as he is with Interfaith's momentum, however, Hall has no illusions that the project will solve his community's share of what has become a national symbol of growing economic polarization between the rich and poor.

"Our effort is a symbolic action as much as it is a real dent in the problem," he acknowledges. "The need is very great—very much greater than 30 units would ever describe." Ten years ago the average cost of buying a home in Middlebury was $43,400; in 1988 a single-family home sold, on average, for $121,264 (the average condominium in 1988: $81,600). The rental market has been tight for years.

"There's a danger to which we're trying to alert people. One of this community's strengths has always been the complexity of its social makeup—farm, business, professional, college. The danger is that this complex social fabric would be very drastically simplified in the direction of middle- and upper-middle class residential housing. And that in the process, employers would lose their access to a labor market, special problems would develop for people like Middlebury College, people like Standard Register, and other big employers who would have trouble finding employees who could live in town."

These economic considerations, of course, have nothing to say, as Hall points out, about the individual traumas and dislocations of the dispossessed. Many people who are priced out of Middlebury (including some of the people most rooted to their place through generations of family settlement) join the burgeoning subculture of American nomads: they head for the remoter regions of Vermont, helping to make Vermont's Northeast Kingdom, for example, one of the poorest regions of the country; they head for New York State; they disappear into the alien maw of distant cities.

It is this sort of threat to the life of the community—community both local and global—that seems to ignite Hall's passionate sense of his ministry.

"The great danger in our period and in our culture," he says, "is that the church will be reduced to a grace-note to the comfortable middle-class life. This is a danger which we at St. Stephen's can't avoid entirely, just as many comparable churches can't avoid it entirely.

"The temptation is always strong for the church to be, as it were, a beautiful, graceful, well-mannered cultural amenity. And it's only as we're able to break out of that temptation and plunge ourselves, often at risk of looking foolish and patronizing, into the difficulties of the culture around us, and *unsettle ourselves*, that we have any chance to break out of our bubble of artificial Christianity—of so-called 'cultural Christianity.'"

Addison Hall seems uncommonly determined—consecrated, to use the old-fashioned liturgical word—to make sure, at least on his particular stage and in his particular part, that "cultural Christianity" does not form its suffocating bubble.

An extraordinary mandate for any clergyman—and an almost supernatural one for a chap who walked out of St. Stephen's one autumn Sunday morning 24 years ago, and never went back.

Meditations

By Addison Hall '69

On solitude, love, death, family, and religion and politics

1. Remember the dreams from which you have waked, suffused with tenderness and longing. I think of one in which I walked with my father through a village of cottages covered with climbing roses, and their sweetness was in the air and in our closeness. I think of another in which, by a waterfall, I met a young woman who embraced me with complete and exquisite ardor. Every gesture was graceful and charged; our meeting was a consummation anticipated for a lifetime. I woke from those dreams wanting only to close my eyes and re-enter them, never to wake up again. Such an intense yearning reminds us that consummation is imperfect and fleeting at best.

It is the same in pursuing God, being found by God. God comes in a moment of unexpected warmth, and we long to sustain the encounter, but God has gone, or so it seems. So we seek God by indirection, holding the world as intently as we can, loving people and things, and knowing that in a moment when we are so absorbed, God may and may not come again. Days go by with no sightings, no inklings of God. Yet we remember what we have known, and our remembering makes us expectant.

2. Most people agree that there is room for much more solitude than our present way of life affords. Whether the solitude is friendly or frightening, we are likely to feel in it God's presence, or God's absence. It is of great value to feel either, and to have relief from the illusion that God's presence and absence are of little concern, and from the related illusion that our lives are only a linear sequence of events.

Likewise solitude reminds us that human interaction is rich and fathomless. Emerging from solitude, either shaken or serene, I nearly always cherish my first contacts with people, and see more clearly that what passes between us can bear meaning's heaviest weight.

3. The truest counterpoint to solitude is liturgy, the common work of people in praise of God. Liturgy preserves the dignity of solitude and amplifies the actual presence of others. Something of the power and the importance of the liturgical gathering are illustrated by this story.

One afternoon I took the sacrament to an elderly woman who lives in a rest home. Once central to the life of the parish, she now has slipped into senility, and makes only the most elliptical contact with us who represent her past. Many of her friends cannot bear to see her now, because the former frame of reference is so broken.

She lay on her bed, alone in her room, rocking herself slightly, keening in a high and not unhappy voice. She greeted me kindly and without recognition, and lay staring at me as I read the gospel, said the confession, said the Lord's Prayer. We received the sacrament together, and I said a prayer of thanksgiving, holding her hand. She looked at me and smiled, and her eyes came into focus. "This *is* a party," she said, and then she began crooning to herself again, rocking back and forth.

It is not for me to say what she meant, but her words meant to me the gathering of the whole pathetically comical scene into the realm of grace. This coming together in the presence of the risen Jesus, this eating and drinking in obedience to his command, this *is* a party.

4. The coming of death is not always timely, nor is it always kind. Parents whose children die experience an especially poignant and intense grief. Anyone who is close to a suicide, particularly the suicide of a young person, knows how terrible a visitant death can be. Some of the evidence accumulated by near-death researchers indicates that, at least in the early stages of death, a suicide discovers that his or her desperate attempt to find release has been thwarted, that instead of winning peace, as is described in almost every other near-death experience, the sufferer passes through the suicide act to an intensified anguish.

We are forced to speculate cautiously here, since this evidence is and always will be sketchy, but we *can* say that there is a daunting injustice at work which impels someone who is suffering terribly in life to risk an even more acute suffering in death. Faced with the suicide of a child or parent or friend, and with the profoundly disturbing reflections to which suicide gives rise, anyone who is seeking God must see the quest in terms which include confusion and rage.

5. In Honduras, at the San Pedro Sula airport, there was a teen-aged beggar whose head was fused to his torso by a congenitally thickened neck. I came in on a late afternoon flight, and he was one of the few people at the airport. He greeted me, and I declined to befriend him. Several days later, I was part of an early-morning crowd waiting for outbound flights, and he approached me again and settled into conversation. In sketchy English, he told me his name. "What is your name?" he asked, pointing at me. "Guillermo," I said, the first Spanish name I could summon.

Later I thought that it was not just my embarrassment about an untranslatable name that kept me from telling a simple truth. My lie signified the bad faith of our relationship, my unwillingness to say no to his request in my own name, his routine manipulation of the instinct to intimacy.

The instance stands out because of its memorable setting. In ordinary life the same thing happens often and less noticeably: we disguise ourselves to avoid the shock and the demands of real exchange. To some extent such recourse is necessary, but we then should not be offended if God declines to meet us face to face. One of the toughest disciplines in seeking God is that of presenting ourselves to other people unmasked, open to violation and to the searing fusion of love.

6. Despite the necessity of our working at compassion and humility, neither virtue comes only as a consequence of our effort. Sometimes we express these virtues, almost unconsciously, when we are gripped by the strong, nearly violent, joy of living. Such a feeling—and its results—are not biddable, but they are real.

When my first child, a daughter, was born, I came from the delivery room singing a *Te Deum*. I felt unprecedented happiness, and a gratefulness which made me simultaneously strong and humble. For several days afterward, as I drove back and forth to work through the university campus, I saw the world with chastened eyes. Young women whom before I had regarded with lust I saw now as the cherished children of people like me. If anything, my joy in seeing them was greater than before, but for that privileged period it was a beholding in compassion, in parental tenderness, free from the acquisitive instincts of the libido.

7. When people speak of being humbled by a typhoon at sea or by an unexpectedly gracious act, they are saying, among other things, that they have known at close range a person or a force which is beyond them, not to be confused with their own personalities, not submitting to their control. They have been shocked or invited, even if only briefly, into an awareness that the connections among people and things are more persuasive than the arguments for individual preeminence.

Yet each person *is* the lens through which this complex universe is seen. We are constructed so as to be natural rivals of God for the creation of all that is perceived or can be discovered. In those rare moments of humility we disclaim our exclusive authorship, and we rejoice to be made in the image of such a ceaselessly prolific creator.

8. As children, my brothers and I went on three or four expeditions by train to New York City. There we saw some sights, but our central object was a ballgame. I associate the journeys with my father, who was an enthusiastic guide through the dangerous wonders of the city. As I grew older, I was mortified by his drawing into conversation anyone who would respond: suspicious commuters, adjacent fans at the Polo Grounds, waitresses, subway passengers, police. His gambits were often inane, sometimes obscure, but his persistence overcame most defences, and the conversations would go on past what I took to be the limits of decorum. I would study my feet or the storefronts or the passing scenery with the unseeing intentness of the shamed.

Now I think of him as a guide through the labyrinths of humility, one upon whom caste distinctions were lost, a person among people, a curious and loving intelligence loose in a world of proliferating possibilities. In that mood, in those circumstances, he made connections with a vulnerable unselfconsciousness which beguiled his companions and protected him. I am in middle life now and watch my young son approach people in much the same open way. I want very much to let them guide me, my father as I remember him and my son as he is. I want to follow them as they make their way, naively poised, through the world which their unguarded interest brings to life.

9. There is a Buddhist meditation technique which asks the meditator to close his eyes, sit erect, and begin to attend to his breathing. In some forms, the meditator is asked to count the breaths from one to ten, and then to start over, or to start over if, as often happens, he loses count before ten.

Using this practice sometimes, I am reminded of the linguistic connection between the Old Testament Hebrew *ruach*, meaning 'breath' or 'spirit,' and the New Testament Greek *pneuma*, also meaning 'breath' or 'spirit.' Surely it is not stretching a point to suggest that the breath which fills us with life is an aspect of the breath, the Spirit, of God. Whether or not I attend to this breath, it fills me with life, holds me in life. What more would I want to claim for God's Spirit?

10. Like many of my compatriots, I am touchy about encroachments upon what I regard as my autonomy. "Don't tell me what to do!" was the motto of my young life, and I am dismayed to discover how much it still underlies my strategies for avoiding the guidance of other people.

Because our spiritual life—our life in relation to God—is correctly perceived as being at the heart of concerns about personal freedom, we avoid submitting that relationship to anyone else's scrutiny. If I considered handling my own legal or medical affairs without consultation, I would think that the risks of such a course much outweighed the savings. Yet when it comes to the most consequential reflection and decisions of my life, those having to do with who I am and how I behave in relation to the Holy One, then personal inclination and societal encouragement confirm my preference for my own counsel. The common wisdom which would raise its eyebrow if I presumed to administer my own physical or psychic examinations raises its eyebrow even higher if I propose to ask help from someone else in examining the health of my soul.

Most of us accept the notion of spiritual direction, if we know it at all, as a quaint "Catholic" resource, worth maintaining in theory by quite unnecessary in practice. Thus we are more willing to seek advice about even so private a sphere as our sexual experience than we are to consult someone about the disciplines by which our attachment to God is deepened.

The result of this attitude is widely prevalent ignorance and timidity in the spiritual life. The same people who consciously seek sophistication in music, finance, medical treatment, and cuisine are content to approach their relation-

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ships to God on the strength of whatever they have learned in Sunday School. Such a stance in relation to international politics would leave us permanently mystified by the news and effectively disengaged from world affairs. Similarly, many of us decline to explore the deepening mysteries of God because our ignorance and lack of training are an unnerving obstacle, through which it is possible to move only with competent guidance. "Whoever makes himself his own spiritual director," the old saying goes, "has apprenticed himself to a fool."

11. Ancient people became especially sensitive to the presence of the gods when they were threatened by siege, famine, epidemic, or the dangers of travel. Under the pressure of anxiety, they asked the gods to come and stand by them, and they watched and listened intently for the divine response, which not always but often rewarded their expectancy.

Such behavior in situations of stress is still universal, although the apparent sophistication of contemporary life inclines us to account for it in ways that don't include the open plea for supernatural intervention. When I hear a story like the following one, however, I am willing to hear in it the protecting presence of God's Spirit.

Someone I know was making a tour of the country after graduation from college, hitchhiking. It was in the year of Bernhard Goetz' much-publicized subway episode. My friend was in Chicago, a stranger to the city, finding his way by bus to an address where he hoped to spend the night. He was alone, and evening was coming on, and gradually he realized that he was lost, that the bus was well into a black neighborhood, and that he was the only white person aboard. Behind him were several young men, who increasingly seemed to him to be a unit, and to be conscious of his intrusion.

At the next stop, one of them got off, and as he passed, he raked my friend's face with a fierce backhand and assailed him with epithets.

Now he was in a quandary. If he kept to his seat, he would end up hopelessly distant from his bed, but if he got off, he was convinced, the remainder of the group behind him would get off with him and finish the business which the first had begun. Still, he decided that he would rather be a moving target than a passive victim, and that maybe he was only imagining the sinister escort. So at the next stop he got up and off, and knew as soon as he started that the group was coming right behind him. He touched the ground and started to sprint, but one of them caught his shoulder from behind.

With a sense of wild resignation, he turned to face them. For what happened next, he was utterly unprepared: the group closed around him and apologized for the behavior of their friend. When they had satisfied themselves that he was not hurt, they pointed him toward his destination and assured him that he would arrive there without incident. They were right, and he did.

12. All week—the Orthodox Holy Week—I had been in and out of the Church of the Holy Sepulchre in Jerusalem. I went there when I first arrived, I went there for Holy Week liturgies, I arrived there sometimes without realizing that I had been meaning to. Always there was a long line in front of the Tomb itself—pilgrims from the Aegean, a few Europeans, fewer Americans. I remembered having gone all the way into the tomb on a previous visit three years before: claustrophobia as the dirty stone of the shrine engulfed me, the line of pilgrims before and behind, the alien demonstrativeness of their piety. I was in no hurry to repeat my visit.

Then, on my last night in the city, two days after Orthodox Easter, I made my last involuntary visit to the church, now almost abandoned. Down I went a last time into the Chapel of the Cross, up to the red votive lights on Calvary. Just before leaving I passed the Sepulchre and, finding no line, slipped impulsively into the antechamber. At the tomb itself two young men were kneeling; in the light of the beeswax tapers, I watched as they kissed the burial slab and laid their foreheads against it, murmuring. I waited.

When they left, I knelt in front of the slab, and, as they had done, kissed the marble and laid my forehead on its cold surface. Prayers came to me then, and even after I began to feel the presence of other people waiting, even after one had come to kneel beside me, I stayed, my forehead grafting into stone. My body, which so often means the sum of my life, had gone still and intent, and my life—his life—filled my body and radiated beyond it, becoming one with the others around it.

13. The ambiguities of political life are apparent, and the futility of achieving a pure political act is a fact which we accept. For many churchpeople this knowledge is sufficient reason to stay out of the maelstrom of political life. They maintain that the church is called to be a sign to the world of the absolute, and that the absolute can only come to grief when attached to a political aspiration or program.

Jesus' life and teaching, although they are not overtly political, nonetheless must be construed in political terms. It was not possible for Jesus to separate the urgency of his preaching about God's Kingdom from the various powers to which that Kingdom was a threat. Jesus' death was the result of political motives and machinations, and however much his followers at certain times have striven to distance themselves from such forces, always their life has been part of a greater political arena.

In our own time, the life and teaching of Martin Luther King Jr. inspire us to carry our quest for God into the ambiguous zone of political thrust and counter-thrust. We heed Jesus' warning to be wise as serpents and innocent as

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doves, and we enter the political arena with an understanding that, however noble our aims and fervent our passion for justice, we will do harm as well as good, and we will be used by those who intend harm.

Despite our misgivings, we as churchpeople are called into the dirty dealings of history, called by the God who consistently has been revealed *in* history. This God embraces human turbulence and speaks from within it. We, who yearn to hear the voice of God, enter with passionate hearts but deliberate minds into the confusing places where political currents cross, confident that God will speak there of justice, confident that our willingness to be compromised by political choices will be redeemed by God's mercy.

14. Our source for the remarkable and battered word 'love' is the Word himself. Jesus says, "I give you a new commandment: love one another; as I have loved you, so you are to love one another. If there is this love among you, all will know that you are my disciples." All that we can offer, all that the world can see of this complex mystery, the church, is our love for one another.

A friend and wonderful teacher to me, an older priest, defined love as taking another person seriously. We get a sense of Jesus' ability to do that in the placement of this teaching in John's gospel. It comes during the last supper, exactly between two statements, the first to Judas Iscariot and the second to Peter. First Jesus identifies Judas as the one who will betray him, and he says: "Do quickly what you have to do." Then, when Peter says, "Lord, I will lay down my life for you," Jesus replies, "Will you lay down your life for me? I tell you in very truth, before the cock crows you will have denied me three times." The commandment about love falls directly between these two exchanges. It is given in full recognition of Judas' treachery and Peter's denial. It is spoken by one who knows people in the depth of their cowardice and does not reject them. He takes them seriously, accepting them for what they are. He loves them.

From Jesus we learn that love does not mean forcing a false harmony. It does not mean concealing pain in the interest of peace. Jesus' love for Judas and Peter does not prevent his confronting them with the fact of their treachery. This is the hidden steel in the spongy word that love has become—the freedom to confront each other with the truth as we see it, even if the cost is conflict and pain. Love without this capacity to see and accept each other to the depth of our weakness is not love, but one of the half-truths for which the word does service.

Jesus' capacity to see and speak openly of human weakness is exceptional. Unlike him, we are overwhelmed easily by the truth, and so this taking one another seriously, calling each other to account, must be done with the greatest discretion and with the promise of continuing support. Accountability without forgiveness is brutal; we cannot afford the destructiveness of casual honesty. Every hard truth must be spoken in the context of shared suffering and with the hope of forgiveness. Only through forgiveness can we take each other's imperfections seriously and continue to live together freely.

Forgiveness, giving what we are not required by any obligation to give, is our promise to each other of new life. When we see the damage we have caused and suffered, and do not let it stand between us, then love comes between us and is to the world a sign and an invitation. Bewildered, spiteful, no better than the rest, we are the ones who take seriously the claim that God has taken us seriously; we are lovers.

15. Early in my ordained life, a stranger phoned the Cathedral office and asked to see a priest. I arranged to meet him the following afternoon. When he arrived I thought at first that he was a genteel street person, about to launch into a tediously detailed plea for money. He was small and white-haired, with a wino's gentle face, but he wasn't a wino.

He had a story to tell me. Many years ago, when he was a young husband and father, he had been driving home one late night and had fallen asleep. After the crash, his first sensations were those which just at the time of his story were beginning to be discussed: he went through a dark tunnel, emerged into light at its end, and was greeted by loving but amorphous beings. Then he saw his whole life as if it were a three-dimensional movie. He was stirred deeply by the moments of compassion and mortified by the episodes in which he had hurt people.

Next he was told that he was going to see the judge. This was said kindly and with reassurance, but because he had been brought up to fear a wrathful judge, he was frightened, especially just after being reminded of his failings. He was ushered into another place where soon the judge came to meet him. The judge was a white-haired man with a kind face, and he gave an immediate and tenderly persuasive acquittal.

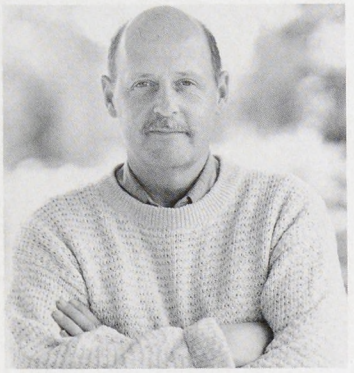
I was spellbound now. Although recently I had become interested in near-death experiences, I had never heard one recounted directly. The little man in my office had not finished. After a long recovery he had returned to his normal life, he said, but he never had forgotten nor had he ceased to be influenced by the kindness of the judge. Then, just within the last year, something striking had happened. He looked one day into the mirror and saw, with a convulsed recognition, that his own face, now so much older, was the face of the judge which he always had remembered.

He said that as these experiences were now coming to light he had decided to go around to the churches and tell people his story. He left as simply as he had come. I never saw him again, but I remember his story and his face as if they were my own.

FACULTY VIEWS

A great leap backward

After the June 4 massacre in Tiananmen Square, what should we expect now from China?



Erik Borg

By John Berninghausen

I write just one week after the brutal repression with which the aging leadership of the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) and the 27th Army of the People's Liberation Army (PLA) "restored order" to Tiananmen Square. U.S. intelligence estimates say that on June 4th the 27th Army killed 3,000 Chinese—virtually all of them unarmed demonstrators, pedestrians, and bystanders. No one knows how many were wounded.

The carnage at Tiananmen Square, carried out in darkness but documented on television and in print around the world, stands as the CCP-controlled Central Government's worst atrocity against its own people since the end of the Cultural Revolution 13 years ago.

In the aftermath of June 4th, disturbing reports tell of a wave of detentions, interrogations, and arrests of the "Democracy movement" sympathizers. Sadly, it would appear that for the first time since the death of Mao in 1976 and the subsequent consolidation of power by Deng Xiaoping, there is a real possibility that China will fall back under a nightmare of repression and secret police terror.

Calling for democracy

In the dizzying weeks between April 17 and June 4, people in all parts of China and around the world followed the dramatic developments in Tiananmen Square with increasing admiration for the spirit and courage of students and citizenry.

Almost 200 years after the outbreak of the French Revolution, in Beijing and many other Chinese cities, university students and other citizens took to the streets in unprecedented numbers. With a rare sense of unity and social cooperation, they wielded "people power" by marching for *min zhu* ("democracy"). This year also marked the 70th anniversary of the May Fourth Movement, China's first student demonstrations in the Tiananmen Square of 1919. Then, as now, patriotic calls for "science and democracy" captured the Chinese imagination.

Throughout the occupation of Tiananmen Square—even after the imposition of martial law by Premier Li Peng on May 20th—the behavior of the student demonstrators and their hundreds of thousands of supporters remained remarkably restrained, non-violent, and well-disciplined. The goals of 1989 seemed quite modest: Greater freedom of the press, with more objective and realistic reporting. Government recognition of the Chinese people's right to assemble and demonstrate, as guaranteed in the Chinese constitution. Toleration of independent student associations. Opposition to the corruption of Party officials.

Many of the youthful demonstrators were CCP members and/or the offspring of ranking Party and PLA officials. Right up to the June 4th repression, the demonstrators were calling for reforms to improve the existing political system—not advocating the overthrow of it.

It is likely that the student demonstrators had some friends in high places—the reformist (more "liberal") elements within the CCP and PLA leadership. Likewise it seems plausible that the reformers were making their own move to resist the increasingly conservative direction of Deng Xiaoping's dominant influence. The leader of the reform forces was CCP General Secretary Zhao Ziyang, age 70, a protege of Deng Xiaoping's and the person given much of the credit for reinvigorating Chinese agriculture through decollectivization and market incentives.

During the Sino-Soviet summit which focused world attention on the unfolding story in China, Zhao signaled the developing power struggle when he reportedly told Mikhail Gorbachev that Deng was continuing to call the shots. Such openness about the workings of power in China was a remarkable breach of Party practice.

But Deng Xiaoping and conservative Party elders prevailed; they rejected Zhao Ziyang's proposals for compromise with the students. By early June, the "hard liners" had sufficiently consolidated their power—and they sent the 27th Army in with tanks and automatic weapons to decimate the demonstrators at Tiananmen Square—as well as any Beijing citizens standing along the way. The object of this military operation, it is clear, was to punish the students for their "unruliness"; the august leaders who govern on behalf of the "dictatorship of the proletariat" needed to regain the face they had lost during the students' joyful six-week exercise of freedom.

Now, the government-controlled press in China has regressed to a level of bold-faced mendacity equal to the worst of the Cultural Revolution. According to official Chinese news sources, it was the demonstrators— "counter revolutionaries and hooligans"—who wantonly attacked and slaughtered innocent PLA soldiers.

From Beijing and from other Chinese cities, reports say that the *gongan ju*, the Chinese "public security bureau" which was unabashedly modeled on the Soviet Union's KGB, has gone on the offensive. Hundreds of student activists as well as their numerous adult supporters are being rounded up. This iron fist exercise will undoubtedly have, at least for the short term, precisely the chilling effect upon the populace which the government intends.

Revenge of the Party hacks?

The current political crackdown, especially if it turns out to be prolonged, will naturally hinder China's economic progress. But if in his efforts to prop up his leadership Deng must make concessions

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to China's so-called "Party hacks," the effects could be devastating.

Within the "Party Committees" which control virtually every Chinese factory, university, commercial enterprise, hospital, laboratory, county, or municipal government, there are to be found generally incompetent holdovers from the Cultural Revolution, a generation of 45- to 60-year-old men and women who once exercised enormous power over all other members of their "work unit." They were unceremoniously pushed to the sidelines when Deng came to power in 1977 and economic reform and productivity were given highest priority.

The hacks are resentful of the more managerially competent and pragmatic senior Party officials who were returned to power under Deng. But they hold a bigger grudge against the better-educated and technologically-sophisticated generation of 25- to 35-year-olds; as they have set about building China's new economic engine, these young technocrats have been openly contemptuous of the Marxist jargon and zeal which are the Party hacks' sole qualification for authority and status.

Sitting squarely in the middle and lower levels of China's state bureaucracy, these hacks are "ideologically reliable"—and undoubtedly eager—allies for the conservative Deng/Yang/Li leadership. If circumstances push the hacks into power once again—and if they exact revenge upon younger intellectuals, scientists, and technicians, China's economic progress will grind to a halt.

Inflation and labor unrest

There has already been serious inflation in China for the past three to four years, with increasing potential for labor unrest. When the factory workers joined the pro-democracy demonstrations this spring, according to some reports, they were much less inclined to follow non-violent tactics and had to be restrained by the student leaders. The next round of social unrest could be much less decorous.

Another possibility: Worker unrest could take the form of strikes and independent labor unions along the lines of Poland's Solidarity. In the near term, declining productivity and increasingly sullen, passive resistance among the industrial work force are more likely. For decades China's state-run enterprises have been unable to pay the workers well or provide meaningful incentives.

Foreign investment in China's export industries—already jittery—will be watching the labor situation closely.

What role for the PLA?

The Chinese military has been undergoing a process of "professionalization" and "depoliticization" for more than ten years; military expenditures have been cut to produce more efficiency. This has been part of Deng's overall development strategy. The 27th Army of the PLA attacked the demonstrators despite the reluctance of many top PLA generals. They feared the military's image would be tarnished; it has been.

But the Deng/Yang/Li leadership is deeply indebted to those PLA generals who acted when called. The PLA may well be in a much stronger position to demand a larger slice of the pie in the allocation of scarce government resources.

A lost opportunity

I spent last year living and working in China; the attitude of many Chinese toward their government was one of sullen resentment and cynicism. Could the events of the last month fan that resentment into smoldering hatred?

At any time before May 20th Deng Xiaoping could have made a token gesture of conciliation—authorizing, for instance, a relatively free press as something "good for socialism." The only ones hurt by such a resolution to the crisis would have been anti-reform conservatives, Party hacks, nepotistic Party officials, and their corrupt relatives who have reason to fear investigative reporting.

What lesson will the younger generation derive from this outcome of non-violent struggle? To be sure, the students' tactics of civil disobedience and cooperative non-violence were crucial in mobilizing the active support from ordinary citizens. Their moral stature compared to that of their government represents a lasting moral victory. However, one must question how long non-violence will survive in the face of the barbarous counter-response of tanks and AK-47s.

Chinese leaders had worked hard in recent years to rebuild credibility with the Chinese people—credibility which was squandered during the Cultural Revolution by Mao and other CCP leaders in their totalitarian pursuit of "revolutionary purity." In the name of restoring "stability," Deng Xiaoping and the other 80-year-old veteran revolutionaries of the CCP and PLA have gambled away their *tianming*, or "mandate of heaven." They will never regain it.

Will they help more flexible and realistic moderates in the Party leadership to pick up the pieces and undo the damage?

What should the U.S. do?

For 17 years American administrations under Presidents Nixon, Ford, Carter, and Reagan closed their eyes to human rights violations in China—while at the same time making a major issue out of similar violations in the USSR.

The American people, it seems, have been greatly moved by the enormous courage and brave impulse towards democracy demonstrated by the Chinese people. President Bush, worrying that Chinese leaders would use public statements by an American president as an excuse for repression of the demonstrations, hesitated to speak out forcefully in support of the students during the six-week-long protest in China. He has partially made up for this now with more strongly-worded protests and the suspension of arms sales.

But our President must send even stronger signals to the Deng government. Beijing must know that the murder and mass arrest of people whose only "crime" was to participate in demonstrations calling for democracy carries an expensive cost—further decline in China's relations with the technologically advanced democracies.

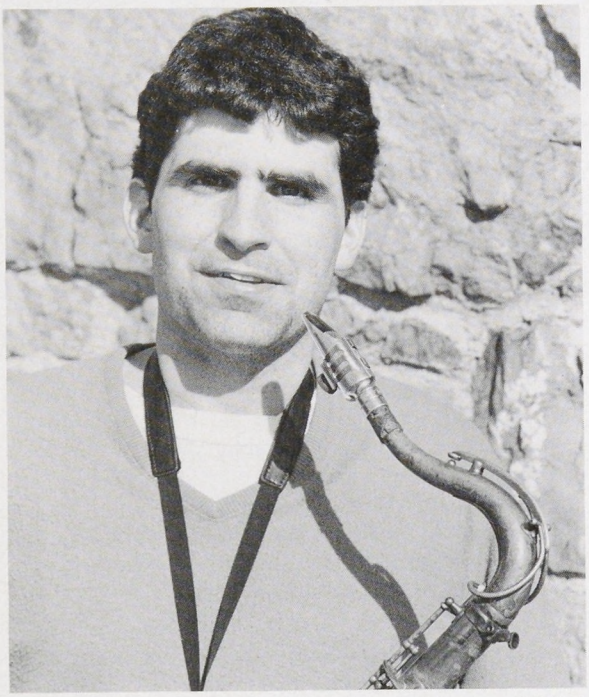
The American people must not forget that millions of Chinese have risked their lives pursuing those very freedoms we usually take for granted. Sustained pressure on the Chinese authorities to release the political prisoners they are now arresting is the least we can do to honor the martyred students of Beijing. Our business people who have investments or operations in the People's Republic of China must likewise raise strenuous objections. This is not the time for "business as usual." The Chinese must be made to understand that if they behave like Nazis, American business people will decline to participate in their commercial ventures, and American tourists will spend their travel budgets elsewhere.

At the very least, Americans have now learned how wrong we were to offer up condescending pronouncements about the lack of a "democratic tradition" in China as we rationalized the cozy relationship we have enjoyed with an essentially repressive government in Beijing. Thousands of Chinese gave their lives in a struggle for a more humane and democratic society. They represent all that is best in the Chinese tradition. It is they, not the panicky Communist autocrats who ordered their murder, to whom we should extend the honor of defining what it means to be Chinese.

STUDENT TALK

Is Middlebury what it should be?

A Rhodes Scholar reflects on his education at Middlebury—and asks the faculty and students he leaves behind to reflect upon it, too.



Erik Borg

By Paul Carrese '89.

A highest honors graduate in political science from Ballston Lake, N.Y., Paul Carrese will be a Rhodes Scholar at Pembroke College, Oxford University. Co-winner of the Phi Beta Kappa Prize for intellectual excellence, he also received the Catlin Fund prize for the highest grade average for students studying the classical course, with some Greek and Latin. He shared the Jarrett Prize for the study of political philosophy, law, and American government. He worked for WRMC, served on various College committees, directed the Sound Investment jazz ensemble, and served as a junior counselor and house director.

The first class of my spring semester was not a senior seminar, but a return visit to the introductory freshman political science class, PS 107. I wanted to hear once again the opening lecture of the course. Professor Paul Nelson, handwritten lecture notes at the ready, patiently waited for 100 or so freshman and sophomores to turn their minds toward study. Just as in my freshman year, Nelson began with an overview of what the class would study, defending the notion of studying politics not just through social science, but through poetry, history, rhetoric, and philosophy as well. For the objective was not only to study politics, but to introduce students into the conversation of mankind. Middlebury was, he emphasized, a place of learning, and he intended his course to be an important leg in the journey of a liberal education.

Paul Nelson has guided my liberal education—and so my soul—since that first political science course in my freshman year. He has been joined, over the semesters and years, by other serious and selfless teachers on the Middlebury faculty; I cannot name them all. Through their lectures and writings, as well as their example and dedication, they have given me the tools to pursue a critical inquiry into the most important questions. They have turned my soul around, much like the citizens in Plato's parable of the cave.

I'm not the first nor will I be the last student to have his soul turned toward the proper path by a teacher, or to have his mind liberated and ennobled by a particular idea or true teaching. Still, it is a curious but beautiful phenomenon that a lecture, or a teacher, can turn one's soul around. I've often wondered as a Middlebury student—and I hope to continue to wonder as a graduate—what such a phenomenon reveals about humans and about ideas, and about the relationship between the two.

Investigation into the nature and purpose of a Middlebury education regularly occurs, to a certain extent, among administrators and faculty and in those committees that handle curricular affairs. It is my sense, though, that such investigation is usually limited to the task at hand and is rarely sustained. In 1985, the Special Committee on Curriculum offered the College community a comprehensive treatment of what a Middlebury education should be, and yet our discussion of the so-called Lopez Report became mired in issues of process and calendar and ignored its important and provocative recommendations regarding the substance of an undergraduate education. And so it was that we ignored, for example, the Report's recommendations for a core curriculum and focused instead on the issue of adopting a trimester calender.

A more recent and unexpected opportunity for reflection upon a Middlebury education came with this year's rise in the comprehensive fee, which provoked students to boycott classes and to attend demonstrations and meetings. A faculty member and I confided to each other that our initial cynicism at the student response was replaced with a realization that this issue had gone beyond money. Students were asking serious questions about what Middlebury stands for and what the purpose of a Middlebury education is, as well as questions as to why they are here and what they should be doing here.

But again, the College community's conversation was neither as sustained nor as comprehensive as it needs to be, and the discussion of broad, deep issues and concerns faded quickly. Perhaps, in the end, a rally or demonstration is an inadequate occasion to address such a daunting issue as liberal education. The task of defining a liberal education—and specifically a Middlebury education—should, instead, occur in our classrooms and in regular, College-sponsored lectures and colloquia outside the classroom.

Among the other opportunities to reflect upon education at Middlebury, there is of course much private conversation.

Throughout the spring I've shared serious conversation with my fellow students about the very topics Nelson speaks of in that PS 107 introductory lecture. Seniors in particular have engaged me in conversation about the purpose and character of a higher education. We have discussed liberal education, how to choose what to study, what an educated person is, what a good life is, and how we should live our lives. Without exception, the students expressed some level of dissatisfaction with their Middlebury education, saying, "I wish I'd studied that subject earlier in my four years," or, "I wish I'd found that professor three years ago," or, "why did I spend so much time studying so narrowly, taking all those courses in one major?"

In the tuition protests, students were asking questions about the purpose of a Middlebury education—and what we should be doing here.

But these are dissatisfactions of the best kind. The College should hope that more of its graduates leave Middlebury asking themselves such troubling but beautiful questions, and expressing their sense of incompleteness. And while such thoughtful expressions of regret have always arisen in the minds of a few seniors, it should not be taken for granted that students still harbor such notions. In a time in the life of the College when there are no required courses, when there is no general education program, and when students can study just about anything they want, most of what they do study looks inward toward a particular discipline and not outward toward the community of learners. In such a time, it is heartening to hear students express some notion that they've missed out on a liberal education. For only those who have some grasp of the notion of liberal education can know how much they've missed. Perhaps one of the College's first tasks should be to provoke such reflection upon education earlier in the undergraduate's career.

A candid report from the front lines—the classrooms—of Middlebury College must note that the College, in an official capacity, does not seem to take such questions seriously. Middlebury has an absolute democracy of the disciplines in which no subjects are so worthy of study as to be required, and thus all are cheapened as being equally subjective and insignificant. Thus, Middlebury's current statement on liberal education is that such a thing is only a matter of individual preference and inclination; one should like what one is studying, and that's all one can ask for. We have lost any consensus on the substance of a liberal education and can offer only procedural substitutes: divisional requirements, writing courses, seminars, senior projects. In place of reason, in place of the tradition of liberal learning which has always been the foundation of undergraduate education, the College is now guided by the standard of individual preference. After all, says the latest thinking, reason is either a phantom or is not capable of arbitrating such issues; all is relative.

And so the questions that some seniors persist in asking, questions which are ultimately based in those necessary human capacities of reason, discrimination, and judgment—those questions are not taken seriously enough by the College. Middlebury's official response to such questions is that they're interesting to individuals, but they really don't matter because they're not susceptible of a meaningful answer. Our own discussion of the purpose of a higher education, however, does fit into an active and fertile decade of discussion in America at large. The voices of William Bennett, Ernest Boyer, Lynne Cheney, Allan Bloom, and others have sounded throughout this decade, telling America that the undergraduate college needs examining, and likely needs fixing. Cheney and Boyer visited Middlebury during my years here, and the College devoted a day in its Winter Term Convocation Series to a discussion of Bloom's provocative book. The students I've discussed liberal education with have little knowledge of these authors or their specific issues. But that makes their desire to discuss education all the more significant and heartening. Few seniors, if any, remember the Lopez Committee Report of 1985. So what is the source of this interest in a genuine liberal education shown by some students, an interest which persists in the midst of either indifference or hostility to such an account of education?

I submit that the source is the intellectual virtue of these students themselves, which is assisted and promoted by a few of the faculty members. Often, the most serious students do not accept the notion that every pursuit of study is equally valid and important, and that the only standard for higher education is an interest in a subject. They know there's something missing in such an account; they have a sense that some areas of study are simply more important than others, but they're not exactly sure of the standards for discrimination. The questions that confront them—what's a good life? who am I? is there a god?—are best addressed by a liberal education, understood as the search for answers to the most important questions about the human condition, the world, and god.

The less subtle and less serious students will whine about indoctrination and totalitarianism at the very mention of a hierarchy of study, required courses, or core courses. I once heard a Middlebury student refute the validity of required courses by admonishing the propositor with a sentiment that is central to my generation's rejection of standards and truths: "Hitler thought he knew what was right, too." But the appeal to reason as the arbiter of what is most worthy of study is not at all the same as a regime based upon the unbridled power of the will. In fact that student's own position, in as much as it rejects reason, is closer to Hitlerian dogma than is an account of liberal education.

I leave Middlebury with worries as to its direction—and with hopes that the College could do more to awaken promising students to the endeavor of a genuine liberal education. Many fine students do engage in such an education at Middlebury, but they come upon it by chance or by good fortune because there is no longer a required program in liberal study. As a result, many who are disposed to serious learning often find it late in their Middlebury career; some never find it. I would like to offer two suggestions for further inquiry and discussion.

First, the College needs to take the question or issue of liberal education more seriously, and must be prepared for the time and diligence that are required for doing so. This would require an investigation and evaluation of the standards used to determine the importance of the areas of inquiry and modes of learning. What, for example, distinguishes a residential, liberal education from a university education? The process would culminate in a thoughtful and principled account of what a Middlebury education is and what the

College stands for. Such an exercise is not easy, and could take years to complete, but it need not be riddled by politics and faction. The persistent presence among the most serious students of the notion of a genuine liberal education suggests that the College has a responsibility to address itself to these issues.

The activity of defining the principled content of an undergraduate education could easily fill Middlebury's agenda for years to come, and not a single change in course requirements would be necessary. Instead, the College community would be engaged in its own sort of liberal education through serious and sustained inquiry on the topic of liberal education. Offering such an education to students is our tradition and our responsibility, and represents our potential for institutional excellence. This approach to education is often called provincial or parochial. These epithets, coupled with a derisive reference to Allan Bloom, are usually thought to be an adequate refutation of the notion of a liberal education. Far from being parochial or closed-minded, a liberal education is open to the possibility of inquiry about true ideas and thus takes seriously many of the voices in the human conversation. I would further argue that the Middlebury students who study in such a manner are the most fulfilled and self-aware students at the College.

This brings me to my second suggestion for the College's agenda, regarding further inquiry into the connection between academic and social life. My experience in the residential life system and as an academic adviser to freshman has revealed that there are three groups of students at Middlebury. First, there are those who are so strong, mature, and determined that they will study seriously and aspire to live the life of the mind no matter what befalls them here. They will find the best professors, work diligently both in and out of the classroom, and successfully avoid the temptation to do less. Second, there will always be those students who, in contrast, are not disposed toward serious study and who are not mature enough to strive for the life of the mind. They will be content to muddle through their courses but enjoy themselves enormously while here. Perhaps their greatest dedication and energy is directed toward extracurricular life, and while they will complain of how much academic work they do, the notion of study for study's sake or of the serious instruction of the mind and soul is not within their purview.

In between these two groups, says my theory, lie the majority of students. At a school such as Middlebury, many of these students possess distinguished academic records and have the potential to continue in that direction. They know of the former, intellectually inspired group and many secretly aspire to engage in serious study, but they don't have the strength to make it alone. They need prodding and encouragement, and they need to avoid the temptations to live an easier life while at Middlebury. For this middling group also knows of the latter uninspired set of students, and the enjoyment and ease of that style of life is indeed tempting to them. And so this middling group, the majority of students here, tries to balance the two worlds by adopting the motto, "Work Hard, Play Hard." This is mostly an attempt to ease a guilty conscience, for such an account of education at Middlebury views study as a chore and not a joy, and invariably ends up casting the sentiments of this middling group on the side of those whose objective at Middlebury is mostly play.

A few qualifications are, of course, in order. The first group is not composed of bookworms and wallflowers; distinguished athletes, thespians, musicians, and writers, among others, can be counted among the serious students at Middlebury. And within the second group, that which is disposed toward play, there are those whose performance in the classroom is nothing short of exemplary; but once outside the classroom, they return to the habits and aspirations of the teenager.

Like most of American higher education, we have separated the academic and social, taking the optimistic view that 18- to 22-year-olds can be left largely unguided in their social life without affecting their academic life negatively. States know of the problematic nature of freedom, as do, on a smaller scale, families. Colleges are intermediate in size, but they apparently think they are immune from the problem of freedom, as they give little official encouragement toward intellectual virtue. But when the voice of moderation, virtue, and sublimation of the passions is silent, it is no surprise that a young person will turn toward satisfying the passions and living the easy life.

In particular, Middlebury should investigate the parameters and scope of its responsibility to guide the social lives of its students, so as to prepare them for liberal education. The students will cry "paternalism" or hurl the Hitler epithet. But as long as the College itself exercises moderation in its promotion of moderation among students, then the students' interest in absolute freedom will always be outweighed by the College's duty to promote liberal education. The College's principle must be to curtail those activities that are harmful to the pursuit of liberal learning; like any principle, its application will require careful judgment. This is not to say that Middlebury or any other college must become a "police state," as I'm sure will be charged. Nor can it be expected that every last student will pursue liberal learning. Rather, the College should seek to promote serious and beautiful pursuits of leisure conducive to liberal education, and its tolerance for students' freedom should stop when the students' intolerance or disrespect for liberal learning begins.

It is a fortuitous time to engage in self-examination. The past decade has been a time of extraordinary growth and achievement for the College, and I sense that we are known more widely and are attracting even more talented students. Almost all colleges and universities face the issues and concerns I have discussed, but Middlebury could stand among a few who have the strength to learn from them and strive to resolve them. Now, while we enjoy our success, is a good time to look inward and check our bearings.

In the waning months of my time at Middlebury, I sometimes stood atop the hill near Gifford Hall and gazed eastward over the quad and onto the Green Mountains. I would often do so on my way to breakfast, on those mornings when there was simply more studying that needed to be done that day then I could possibly do. And that view would lift my anxiety and invariably cause me to wonder at the existence of Middlebury College. Thanks to the labor of many others, a small number of us have been afforded the leisure time to study, a place of learning dedicated to the life of the mind. I've had a full education here, the best that I could have hoped for. And the suggestions and criticisms I offer are those of a concerned and indebted friend, one who must speak candidly in order to stay a true friend.

Professor Nelson remarks in the final lecture of PS 107 that at the close of an extensive treatise on ethics, Aristotle points the way to his treatise on politics, remarking, "Let us begin our study." Following my teacher, and his teacher Aristotle, I conclude my studies at Middlebury with a call for us to renew a study of ourselves, particularly to involve students in that study, and thereby to live up to both our tradition of liberal learning and our potential for educational excellence.

AROUND THE HILL

An outdoor Commencement

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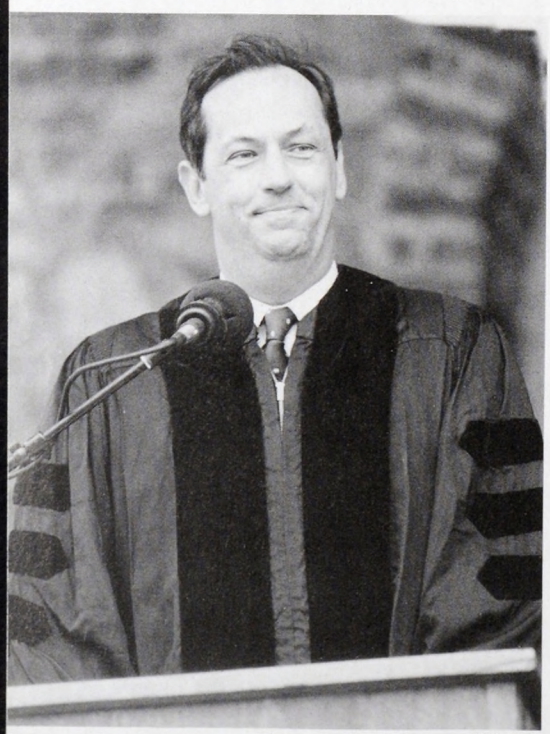

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Comprehensive fee goes to $19,000, and students protest

In a March 15 letter to the College community, Middlebury President Olin Robison announced a comprehensive fee hike of $2,000—or 11.7 percent. The College's Board of Trustees, said the letter, had set the comprehensive fee—covering tuition, room, and board for a year at Middlebury—at $19,000 for the 1989-90 school year.

The initial student reaction to the fee increase was subdued. But six weeks later students were boycotting classes and staging an all-night sit-in at Old Chapel. The most visible symbol of their protest: Towels were hung from dormitory windows, to make the statement, as one student protester explained, that, "We're not throwing in the towel. We're going to fight this increase."

Robison's three-page letter announcing the increase set the terms for the discussions—and became the focus of many student complaints. "Middlebury College," said the letter, "is an institution on the move." As evidence, it noted the strength of the College's applicant pool; over 4,000 applications for 500 places in the Class of 1993. The faculty student ratio "stands at an enviable 1:12." The letter highlighted dormitory renovations and the imminent construction of new student center and arts center space. Freshman seminars have been added to the curriculum, it said: "Morale is high; the sense of possibility is almost palpable."

As in past years, the fee increase letter noted that the comprehensive fee covers only part what it costs the College to educate each of its students. In 1989-90, said the letter, "it will cost approximately $27,000 per student to provide the kind of program that distinguishes Middlebury from all but a small handful of the nation's finest liberal arts colleges."

To justify the increase, the letter noted that the Higher Education Price Index set inflation at 6.5 percent for 1988-89 (exceeding the Consumer Price Index by two percent). A fee increase of just 6.5 percent, however, "would mean the equivalent of level-funded budgets, with no new initiatives and no new personnel."

The letter continued: "To have held our increase to that level would, in fact, have amounted to a decision to fall behind. Middlebury College will not fall behind."

Polite responses from students called the letter "flowery." To many students, the letter's message seemed to be that the College was indeed making strides as an institution—but that students were footing too much of the bill. "Why is it so important to keep up with other colleges?" asked David Milner '90, who emerged as a student leader protesting the increase.

After a request from Student Government President Margaret Lynch '89 that he make more information available to students, Robison held an "open discussion" of the fee hike and College finances. Approximately 100 students attended.

Robison and College Treasurer David Ginevan gave the students a three-page hand-out which included an outline of the College's $63-million budget for next year, listing expenses under headings like "instruction," "student services," "institutional support," "plant operation," and "student aid."

But what some students took away from the meeting were key phrases that were later featured in *The Campus*—and in a *New York Times* "Campus Life" report on the meeting written by Dwight Garner '89. Explaining that if it were not for alumni giving, the comprehensive fee would be even higher, Robison said he hoped the students would remember to return the favor in the future: "If you don't give when you leave here, I hope you feel guilty until the day you die."

Once again noting that student fees cover only 66 percent of what the College

In brief

■ **Here comes the sun:** "EarthFest"—a one-week series of lectures and discussions culminating in a Saturday afternoon environmental festival with bands, information booths, and Ben and Jerry's ice cream—closed out a year which saw increased interest in environmental issues on campus.

The brainchild of Charles Lamson '89, the lecture series and festival were organized entirely by students—primarily Lamson, a small group of friends, and, at a later stage, the Environmental Quality group. Faculty members delivered the lectures—with titles like "The importance of biological diversity," and "The future of conventional and alternative energy sources"—to smallish groups of 25 or so. But the festival attracted a much larger crowd. The organizing group invited representatives from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Soil Conservation Service, the Vermont Public Interest Research Group, Greenpeace, the Vermont Audubon Council, the Lake Champlain Committee, and the Middlebury Recycling Committee, to name a few. As bands played and students, faculty, and visitors discussed the greenhouse effect and resource conservation, one faculty member commented, "This place looks like a college campus."

Other signs of student interest: In the fall semester, nine students took an environmental studies course (ES401) which developed a comprehensive waste management plan for the College. College Treasurer David Ginevan responded to the plan enthusiastically—and implementation is in the works.

Environmental studies, directed by Associate Professor of Biology Stephen Trombulak with 14 affiliated faculty members from English, philosophy, sociology/anthropology, geography, geology, and economics, graduated four majors in 1989; but there are 32 majors among next year's juniors and seniors.

■ **One small step:** On April 5, at DeWitt Clinton High School in New York City, Principal David Fuchs and Middlebury College President Olin Robison announced the creation of an "academic partnership" intended to enrich the lives of students and faculty at both schools. At a press conference, Robison said, "Each of us has something to learn from the other."

DeWitt Clinton, located in the Bronx, enrolls 5,000 students, primarily from African-American and Hispanic backgrounds. Considered one of New York City's best inner-city schools, Clinton was selected by a task force of College admissions officers, alumni, trustees, and friends—the so-called New York Diversity Task Force—which developed the partnership idea over the last two years. Key figures on the task force include Cecil Forster '64, chairman, and Sabin Streeter '63. On campus, the idea was spearheaded by Herbert Dalton, director of enrollment planning, and James Williams '74, coordinator of minority recruitment, along with Charles Brown '91, a Clinton alumnus.

In February, ten College faculty and staff members visited the high school, teaching classes to enthusiastic students. A particular hit was Associate Professor of Physics Robert Prigo's lecture on "The Physics of Karate." After a long monologue—and after filling a blackboard full of equations—Prigo chopped through four pine boards to the applause of 15 Clinton science students. Students admitted afterward that Prigo's "stalling" had convinced some that he'd never make the attempt.

The trip was so successful that the New York Task Force, the College, and Clinton High School moved ahead quickly on a formal agreement. The "partnership" announced in April includes: participation by Clinton students in the annual Bread Loaf Young Writers' Conference; a monthly lecture at Clinton by a College alumnus (already committed are Ronald Brown '62, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, and *Newsweek* financial columnist Jane Bryant Quinn '60, both College trustees); an annual Middlebury Day at Clinton, basically a repeat of the February visit; faculty development exchanges that will bring Clinton teachers to Middlebury to join faculty members in workshops on the teaching of science, languages, and writing; winter term teaching internships for Middlebury students; parents meetings on college admissions; and participation by Clinton students in the College's SCIENS program, which brings minority students to Middlebury each summer for a two-week science course. In addition, a busload of 40 Clinton students—with teacher chaperones—visited the College for two days in May, attending classes and hearing general introductions to college admissions and academics.

The goal of the partnership, stressed College officials, was not simply to recruit Clinton students to Middlebury—although four Clinton students (including the valedictorian) will be in next year's freshman class. Rather, as President Robison said in announcing the partnership, the College wants to do what it can to promote higher education among minority young people. "Our country is not moving forward satisfactorily in the educating of our minority citizens, and it will require far-reaching cooperative programs like this one to rectify the situation," said Robison. "Through this partnership, we have broadened our concept of community to encompass a new partner and a new community of understanding."

■ **Winter term survives again:** In a close vote of 98-90, the faculty this spring chose to pursue a "revitalized" winter term over a semester system.

The vote follows a year of discussion about winter term and its problems (see Spring 1988 magazine). The revitalization plan for winter term includes mandating more contact hours between faculty and students, alternate year teaching for faculty members, more student internships and senior study projects, and preference in course selection given to freshman and sophomores. Faculty and administration members will begin discussion on how to implement those changes for the winter term 1991.

■ **Delta Upsilon back at home:** The Community Council of faculty, student, and staff members, after reviewing the performance of D.U. members in a year-long education effort, voted to let the fraternity return to the house next year. The fraternity had been on suspension after a battered, red-paint splattered mannequin was hung outside the house during a fraternity toga party in May 1988. The fraternity will remain on social probation for another year.

spends on each student, Robison said, "Every person here is on a big, fat scholarship."

Dean of the College John Emerson talked about the College's "need-blind" financial aid policies. Over a third of Middlebury students receive some form of aid. Once the governmentally-mandated formula for financial aid calculates the amount a student and a family can pay, the College makes up the difference—with loans and grants—between that amount and the comprehensive fee. One student suggested, in response, that the College would become "a school of the very rich and the very poor."

The student outcry that began to develop after that meeting seemed, in part, to be rooted in a genuine concern for those students who do not qualify for financial aid—and for whom the $2,000 increase would be too much. Students began talking about friends "who won't be able to come back next year."

In late March, when two students—Milner and Robert Gray '90—began organizing a student day of protest and a boycott of classes, the rhetoric about the middle class being squeezed out of Middlebury had become central. On the morning of the boycott, Gray talked on a local radio station about the protest. The formula to calculate financial aid, he noted, counts the family home as an asset. Suppose a family bought a house for $60,000 ten years ago, he hypothesized, but that home was now valued at $300,000. What does the family do, he asked, sell the home to pay for a Middlebury education?

Students Against the Rise in Tuition and Unjust Policies (STARTUP) presented President Robison with four demands when they gathered outside Old Chapel on Thursday, May 4. First, they asked for a "fee guarantee policy," in which the College would set a maximum amount it could charge a freshman class over its four years at the College. The idea, said Milner, would be to help students who are admitted to the College to plan for the four-year cost—and to make a decision to attend Middlebury based on that cost.

Second, they asked for a roll-back of the 1989-90 hike from 11.7 percent to seven percent. Third, they wanted a more detailed explanation of the College budget. "Maybe the increase is justified," Milner said. "But I don't think they've made that clear to anybody." And, fourth, they wanted a voting student member on the Board of Trustees, with that student also assigned to the trustees' finance committee. "We want to know," Milner said, "what choices the board is making."

President Robison came down from his office to meet with the students during the rally. Gray and Milner responded, according to some accounts, with admirable defiance; according to others, they were decidedly impolite. After a brief and unproductive attempt at discussion, Robison agreed to meet privately with Gray and Milner the following Monday to discuss their proposals. Robison then took a willing group of 25 or so students to Mead Chapel for a less heated discussion.

The following Tuesday, Robison, Gray, and Milner convened another open meeting. Some 200 students gathered in Mead Chapel, as Robison responded publicly to the four STARTUP proposals. He would give the students, he said, the same answers he had given Gray and Milner in their two-hour meeting the previous day.

He would be willing, Robison said, to discuss with the trustees the possibility of a fee guarantee plan—although he could not, without more development of the idea, wholeheartedly support it. Proposing a roll-back of the fee to a seven percent increase would be futile, he continued: "It's not going to happen." Plans were already being made for a more open discussion of the College budget in the future, Robison said, although he offered no details. As for student representation on the Board of Trustees, he argued that students had input into board decisions, for example, with a position on the board's student life committee. Student Government President Lynch had already, before the fee protest, made a proposal for a student trustee, which would be passed on to the board. "Do I think student participation could be improved?" Robison asked, "Sure." But, he said, "I am not prepared at the moment to support a proposal for a student trustee."

After a 30-minute presentation, Robison answered questions. Is the College getting away from education, he was asked, by providing too many frills to students? The College, Robison suggested, "has been hooked on growth." At Middlebury, that could be a dangerous situation, because in comparison to other comparably priced schools, the College has less endowment per student. (The current endowment value stands at approximately $190 million; the student body numbers 2,000.) The spiral of growth, Robison agreed, "has to slow down."

The College has said diversity in the student body is an important goal, a student noted. Isn't the high cost at Middlebury driving some "diverse" students away? In head-to-head competition with students accepted at Middlebury and at other schools, Robison answered, "we lose to almost no one who charges less than we do." He did acknowledge, however, that for Middlebury—and its peer schools— "high costs are perhaps driving away people we don't ever see because they never even apply." The solution there, he suggested, was a more aggressive effort to publicize the availability of financial aid.

Rather abruptly, the question and answer session was cut off by Gray. The President had more than used up his allotted time, Gray told the students. Robison—and other members of the College administration—left the Chapel. When a student objected that Gray and Milner had had two hours the previous day, Gray responded that Robison "would talk all night if we let him." But what were his answers? "How long does it take him to say, 'No, no, no, no.'"

In the meeting the previous day, Gray explained, Robison had given Gray and Milner time to speak. But Robison, who had brought other senior administrators along with other student leaders to the meeting, did most of the talking, just as he had done that night. "We were heard out," Gray said, "I'm not sure we were really listened to."

In short order, the students were organizing a sit-in for later that week. On Thursday at 4:00 p.m. a group of about 50 students filed into Old Chapel; a smaller number—40 or so—spent the night. College Chaplain John Walsh and Dean of Students Karl Lindholm stayed with the students until midnight; Dean of the College John Emerson held a wide-ranging discussion in his office until 1:30 a.m. The College left classrooms open as study space; many students slept on the carpeted floor of the trustees board room.

A smaller group of students carried on the next day, occupying the second floor of Old Chapel; the protesters chose not to occupy President Robison's floor, they said, because the decision to roll back the comprehensive fee wasn't in his hands. They wrote letters to the trustees, instead. At 4:00 p.m. on Friday, the end of the last class meeting of the year, they left the building, vaguely suggesting that they might reconvene the protest when classes resume in September.

In early June, on Reunion weekend, President Robison answered questions from a more friendly crowd of alumni, in an open question and answer session that has become a regular Reunion event. The

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Commencement honorees: Schuyler Merritt Meyer Jr., Martin Heinecken, Donald Everett Axinn '51, Erica Wonnacott, and William Bradley, with President Olin Robison.

high cost of a Middlebury education came up immediately. Robison told the alumni what he had told the students: Even at $19,000, the comprehensive fee covers only part of what it costs to provide a Middlebury education. In that sense, he argued, a college education remains one of the best bargains in America—especially when you consider the future return on the investment, measured in salary potential. In order to attract the best students, Robison said, the College does have to meet the expectations of students in terms of services and educational opportunities: "In that sense, we are market-driven," Robison said. "Middlebury College can operate on less money," he agreed, "but we can't do what we're doing on less money." Quality costs, he noted simply.

Robison did address more directly the perception that middle-class students and families are being squeezed out of Middlebury. The median income of an American family, he said, is $30,000 or so. The family incomes of a small percentage of Middlebury students—just six percent—fall below that level; those students generally receive big financial aid packages. The large majority of financial aid recipients—about a third of Middlebury students—have families with incomes between $30,000 and $80,000 a year. A large percentage of those students fall in the upper range—above $60,000 in family income. "That's the middle class, folks," Robison noted. Middle-class students attend Middlebury, he suggested, and the College's financial aid funds—supported, in large part, by alumni like those in the audience—help them to do so.

Commencement

At 4:30 a.m. on Commencement morning in May, a crowd of students gathered outside the home of President Olin Robison, singing "Oh, what a beautiful morning." The sky was overcast, the air chilled—but the students wanted an outdoor Commencement. At 6:00, Robison appeared for a short conversation—and after a trip to campus to look over the Commencement site behind Forest Hall, he gave the students what they wanted. "Tell your parents to bring their sweaters," Robison warned the students.

Later that morning, the sun came out, the wind abated, and 500 students marched across the stage to receive their degrees. The biggest cheer seemed to go to Rhodes Scholar Paul Carrese—with a close second to Pamela Smith, carrying her eight-month-old son, Dylan, who lived with her in her dormitory room this year (and attended some classes). A poignant moment came when parents Harrison Fraker and Helena Bienstock accepted a degree for their daughter Alison Fraker, who died after an automobile accident in March.

About half the faculty wore "Child Care Yes!" buttons and crepe-paper armbands, in a show of support for a faculty-staff committee report which asked the College to take significant steps to support child care options in the community and to help parents pay for child care.

U.S. Senator William Bradley (D-N.J.) delivered the Commencement address (for an excerpt, see page 50).

Bradley and four others were awarded honorary degrees:

Donald Everett Axinn '51, Doctor of Letters. The founder and chairman of Donald E. Axinn Companies, developers of major office and industrial parks in the New York metropolitan area, Axinn has published three books of poetry, including *Against Gravity* (1986). At Middlebury, an annual prize in writing, a chair in creative writing, and an annual public lecture all bear his name: "You have expanded the limits of knowledge and helped to train the eye of Middlebury undergraduates and Bread Loaf writers through your dedication, example, and generosity."

William Warren Bradley, Doctor of Law. Rhodes scholar, Basketball Hall of Famer, and senior U.S. Senator from New Jersey, Bill Bradley in 1978 became the youngest person ever elected to the U.S. Senate. By the conclusion of his freshman term, he had outlined Fair Tax principles that became the basis of the Tax Reform Act of 1986. Bradley is also an education advocate: "We present you to tomorrow's leaders gathered here, as one who has

A few of the graduates

■ **Seniority:** Four years ago, Marylin Belle, 46, moved from the green, mountainous town of St. Kitts in the Caribbean to New York City, where she attended Bronx Community College. Two years later, she came to Middlebury. "Wow," she remembers thinking upon arrival. "I'm back at St. Kitts."

Belle had been a nurse in St. Kitts for 20 years when she emigrated to the U.S. "When I realized that I was coming to the U.S., I decided to finally go back to school and become a child psychologist. I had wanted to do that for a long time."

Twenty-five years older than most of the students at Middlebury, Belle acknowledges that her age set her apart at times. But, she says, "I was really focused, and I had a real purpose and goal here. Sometimes people might have given me funny looks, but I guess I refused to notice."

Once students got to know her, some came to her for advice. Belle was happy to talk with them; she has a particular interest in adolescent psychology.

■ **Two Watsons:** "It's kind of interesting," says Andrew Dahlstrom, "that a colony freed from British rule would keep such an imperial sport as cricket."

On a $13,000 Thomas Watson fellowship, Dahlstrom will travel next year to England, Pakistan, India, Barbados, and Australia to study cricket; he hopes to write a book on what he finds. An English major (honors) from Seattle, Wash., he developed his interest while living in Vancouver, B.C.

Dahlstrom is one of two Middlebury Watson winners. Elizabeth Mitchell, an honors biology major from Cazenovia, N.Y., will study "Survival Strategies of Alpine Flowering Plants in Nepal and New Zealand."

■ **Special arrangements:** Alison Fraker, English major, dancer, a campus leader on women's issues, and friend to countless students and faculty members, died after a late-afternoon automobile accident on an otherwise average March schoolday.

"She was an improviser," said her dance instructor Penny Campbell in a campus memorial service. More-or-less Quaker style, friends and teachers stood to talk about her, or dance for her, or cry for her.

At Commencement, Alison Fraker's parents—Helena Bienstock of New York City and Harrison Fraker of Minneapolis, Minn.—accepted her degree. Their daughter was elected to Phi Beta Kappa; a high honors graduate, she was selected as co-recipient of the Henry Prickitt prize for outstanding work in English. Alison Fraker's share of that cash prize was assigned to the Alison Fraker Memorial Fund.

■ **The private life:** Kim Bennett didn't keep a high public profile at Middlebury. She did keep busy. A joint major in psychology and biology (high honors), Bennett was a leader of the Christian Fellowship, a biology teaching assistant, a tutor for a handicapped person in town, a field house trainer, and a private flute teacher. As a senior, she gave a flute recital.

Bennett, from Hingham, Mass., wrote a senior thesis on the hibernation behavior of Eastern chipmunks. She trapped a few from the wild and studied their food selection patterns.

Elected to Phi Beta Kappa as a junior, Bennett was a co-recipient of the Phi Beta Kappa Prize, given for "special attainments within and beyond the normal expectations of the curriculum." She also received the Barbara Buchanan '62—Alumni Association Award for community service and the Elbert C. Cole '15 prize for outstanding work in biology. After working for a time, she plans to return to graduate school to study environmental education.

■ **Two Soviet fellowships:** Eric Frye, a Russian and history joint major from Whitesboro, N.Y., and Victoria Walter, a Russian and Soviet area studies major from Concord, Mass., will travel to the Soviet Union next year on student exchange fellowships from the Institute of International Education in New York City. The fellowships cover one year of study at either Moscow or Leningrad State Universities. Only Middlebury and Stanford can claim two of the 14 fellowship winners.

Frye will study Russian governmental education policy between 1900 and 1914; Walter's research proposal title reads, "The Dessication of the Aral Sea: Economic, Environmental, and Political Challenges Facing the Soviet Union."

■ **On the hot seat:** As president of the Interfraternity Council, Michael Kelly found himself center stage as public spokesperson for the fraternity system when the faculty proposed abolishing the fraternity system last fall. As a member of D.U. fraternity, he also helped lead the fraternity's efforts to earn back its house after a one-year suspension following the toga party-mannequin incident last spring.

"We're trying to make a positive image on campus," says Kelly, noting that fraternities organized an event for Vermont's Special Olympics, a children's field day on campus, and lectures and discussions on alcohol and sexism. "We no longer want the old stereotypes."

As co-captain of the hockey team this winter, Kelly led the team to a playoff appearance. A political science major from Greenwich, Conn., Kelly will return in the fall as a residence hall assistant and as an assistant coach with the hockey team.

■ **Student power:** As a sophomore, she helped gather 1,000 names on a petition to keep the trustees from putting the proposed student center at the far-off Social Dining Units. This year, she led the student effort to convince the faculty to save winter term.

Margaret Lynch, president of the Student Government Association this year, graduated with high honors as a political science major and was elected Phi Beta Kappa; she also won the Kvasnak award for excelling in the study of politics. She'll attend Columbia Law School in the fall, after an internship with the State Department.

As a veteran of various campus battles, Lynch, from Stow, Mass., has some scars. "There is some anger," she said last fall, "that faculty members see themselves as the moral keepers of our intellectual and social lives."

■ **Who you gonna call?:** When the

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Michelle DiBello, a highest honors Chinese major from Dormansville, N.Y., is the 1989 Valedictorian. Marjorie MacWhorter, from Maplewood, N.J., is salutatorian, with high honors in physics. DiBello sang with the Mischords and this spring performed in the play, "Uncommon Women and Others." She was also recipient of the George H. Catlin Award for "showing the highest grade for scholarship and deportment." MacWhorter, a clarinet player, will study physical oceanography at MIT. She has been offered three graduate fellowships: from the National Science Foundation, from the Office of Naval Research, and from the Department of Defense.

computer at *The Campus* newspaper crashed in April, they knew where to get help. "They had a clash between the network software and the system software," remembers Amer Diwan, the computer doctor who made house calls.

Diwan, who directed and helped train the computer assistants at the Ballenger Computer Center help desk, also played a big role fighting a Macintosh computer virus that hit the College this year. He is one of the College's first computer science majors, graduating with highest honors in a program established last year. He was also elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

Diwan plans to get his Ph.D. in computer science and then get a job with a company with branches in Pakistan, so that he may work both in the United States and in his homeland. "Many people who go to school in the U.S. from Pakistan tend to stay here after they graduate," he notes. "I don't want to become one of those people. I want to go back because it's my home."

■ **Never throw in the towel:** As an assistant coach for a championship junior high girls basketball team last winter, Wendi Urie would wave a white towel wildly. At the end of the season, the team autographed the towel.

Urie, a rural Vermonter from Craftsbury Common, majored in math; also a participant in the teacher education program, she taught an algebra class this year at the Middlebury High School—and she had some success in a class where some students didn't even know multiplication tables. She intends to teach in rural Vermont next year.

■ **Lab work:** In her first freshman lab, Sabine Pulver was analyzing a copper compound when the test tube blew up in her face. "I realized then," says the chemistry major (highest honors) from Short Hills, N.J., "that it was always a good thing to wear your safety glasses."

Pulver will work for a pharmaceuticals firm in her native Switzerland this summer and then will enter Stanford this fall to get her Ph.D. For her senior thesis, she did infrared spectrophotoanalysis on the blood of certain sea creatures, which she extracted from the hearts of live snails. Elected to Phi Beta Kappa, Pulver received the American Institute of Chemists' Medal.

■ **Mountain man:** It's a gripping tale of a raging forest fire swept by high winds, with a small group of Outward Bounders scampering for their lives up a ridge in the Canyonlands of Utah. And it's a true story.

Kurt Broderson, from Manchester Center, Vt., wrote about that harrowing moment and other moving experiences in nature, with special attention to environmental issues, in his English thesis. A member of the Middlebury Mountain Club and Environmental Quality, Broderson combined his academic work with his personal interest in the environment—and graduated with honors.

Broderson had other concerns during his time at Middlebury. He was a vocal figure in the protests against CIA recruitment on campus and against the recent tuition increase, participating in an overnight sit-in at Old Chapel. "If nothing else," Broderson says. "I hope that these protests raised students' awareness. Students began to realize what little say they have in what goes on around here."

■ **With a little help from her friends:** For her senior thesis, Pamela Smith interviewed teenagers who had attempted suicide. She would often come back to her dorm depressed. The wide, innocent smile of her 8-month-old son, Dylan, she says, would make everything better.

Smith lived with her son in Hillcrest all year. She brought Dylan to her classes. When she needed a baby-sitter, her hallmates and friends were usually available. Smith, a psychology and sociology joint major (high honors) from Port Clyde, Maine, worked with retarded adults at a counseling service during the school year and plans to continue in counseling.

While doing her thesis, she thought about her son. "I kept thinking about how I could help him avoid all that when he will be a teen-ager," she says.

■ **Academics come first:** "Middlebury's been a place where I've been able to play a sport, get involved with college life and still do well academically," says Parker Ward, co-captain of the men's basketball team and co-winner of the Hazeltine-Klevenow scholar athlete award. "The coaches here emphasize winning without putting a strain on your academics. They make you feel that your work comes first."

It was satisfying, nonetheless, as the team posted winning records his last two years. A biology/psychology joint major elected to Phi Beta Kappa, Ward hopes to go to medical school after taking a year off to do research on Alzheimer's disease at Massachussetts General Hospital. He will be assisting in a project that will examine brain sections of deceased Alzheimer patients.

—Compiled by Tat Sang So '91

played the game honestly and gained respect the old-fashioned way."

Martin Heinecken, Doctor of Humane Letters. One of the nation's leading scholars of Soren Kierkegaard's existential writings, Martin Heinecken came to the town of Middlebury in 1975, after 30 years of teaching and scholarship at the Lutheran Theological Seminary in Philadelphia. The author of eight books, including a landmark study of Kierkegaard published in 1956, in his retirement, Heinecken served as preacher, counselor, and interim chaplain at the College—where his son, Mickey, is varsity football coach: "By your many involvements in the community you have become known as a helpful, accessible, and always cheerful neighbor."

Schuyler Merritt Meyer, Jr., Doctor of Education. The founder of an industrial development company, Schuyler Meyer was elected to the board of trustees of the New York City-based Edwin Gould Foundation for Children in 1952. Fourteen years later, he became the Foundation's president and CEO. During his tenure, more than 60 Middlebury students have received scholarships from the Gould Foundation: "Your identification of students with extraordinary promise and your willingness to support them during the formative years at Middlebury has benefited them, this institution, and society at large."

Erica Wonnacott, Doctor of Education. The College's first Dean of Students (a post she held from 1970 until her retirement in 1987), Erica Wonnacott received a bachelor's degree in psychology from Drew University and a master's in counseling from Columbia. Her record of educational and community service is lengthy and growing; in her retirement, she works with elementary schoolchildren with special needs: "Your legacy is a more understanding institution, a more compassionate administration, and an energetic and comprehensive student services program, as well as a great many alumni daughters named Erica."

Professors' progress

Five faculty promotions were announced this spring.

Stephen C. Trombulak has been promoted from assistant professor to associate professor of biology, with tenure. A faculty member since 1985, he directs the College's environmental-studies program. Trombulak, who earned his Ph.D. in zoology from the University of Washington, received an NSF EPSCoR grant in 1986 for his study of the allocation of reproductive effort in a mammalian hibernator. This winter, with students in his Environmental Studies 401 class, Trombulak prepared a comprehensive solid-waste management plan for the College; with Biology Professor Randall Landgren, he is at work on a natural history of the College.

John Bertolini, a member of the College faculty since 1975, has been promoted from associate professor to professor of English. His doctoral dissertation at Columbia University focused on Renaissance drama; his publications include several articles on the works of British playwright G.B. Shaw.

Eric L. Davis has been promoted from associate professor to professor of political science. Appointed to the faculty in 1980, after stints with the University of California at Berkeley and the Brookings Institution, Davis earned his Ph.D. from Stanford University in 1978. His writings on the relationships between the president and Congress has been included in several books and journals, including the *British Journal of Political Science* and *Political Science Quarterly.*

C. Randall Landgren, a faculty member since 1977, has been promoted from associate professor to professor of biology. Landgren, who holds a Ph.D. in biology from Harvard University, directs Middlebury's SCIENS program, an NSF-supported training program for minority high school students interested in scientific careers. Former chair of the College's natural sciences division, Landgren has written on science education. His work on plant stress physiology, tissue culture, and cell structure, as well as cell division and cytodifferentiation, has resulted in a number of publications; currently, he is studying the overwintering strategies of herbaceous and aquatic plants. Landgren is also the author of *The Trees of the Middlebury College Campus* (1981).

Paul Sommers, a faculty member since 1976, has been promoted from associate professor to professor of economics. Sommers, who received his doctorate from the University of California-San Diego, uses mathematical analysis to evaluate a wide variety of socioeconomic statistics, from the effect of gun-control laws on suicide rates to comprehensive tax and welfare reform. Sommers has also contributed a number of articles to the *Journal of Recreational Mathematics,* including "Testing for Bias in Beauty Pageant Judging."

Spring sports

■ **Laxwomen lose in tournament, but post 8-5 mark:** Despite a first-round loss to Williams, 11-10, in the Eastern Collegiate Athletics Conference New England championships, the women's lacrosse team put together its second straight highly successful season.

The loss in the ECAC playoff game, says Coach Missy Hopkinson, "was a disappointing finish because we played so well and it was so close at the end." Middlebury, seeded third in the tourney, had a legitimate shot at defeating second-ranked Williams. Trailing in the first half, the Panthers scored three goals in the last three minutes of play and had Williams on the run when time ran out. Tufts eventually beat Williams in the final to take the championship.

The Panthers gained the playoffs by posting key wins over Amherst, Colby, Bates, and Bowdoin. They dropped two one-goal games to New England powers Trinity and Vermont, and lost two games to Williams by a total of three goals.

Marci Griffith '89 finished as the team's leading scorer with 31 goals and 11 assists. Victoria Hoyt '89 scored 30 goals and three assists, and Cynthia White '89 netted 24 and five assists. Goalie Jill Danieli '90 was strong in the nets with 144 saves for the season, posting an 8.2 goals allowed average.

Griffith's outstanding play earned her a spot on the Northeast Regional All-American first-team attack unit.

■ **Men's lacrosse posts losing season:** The men's lacrosse team ended its first losing season in 22 years on a positive note by blasting Bates 15-4 in the season finale.

Compiling a final 5-8 mark, the team set the stage for improvement next year by winning four of its last six games.

"We never plan to lose," said Middlebury Coach James Grube, who recorded his 100th win as coach at Middlebury this season, "but a lot of important lessons can be derived from losing." It was a young team, he noted, and took time to adjust to some innovations Grube made this year. The season began to turn around with a 9-8 win over Vermont.

Goalie Hieu Nguyen '92 concluded his

first season of intercollegiate lacrosse by turning in a solid 12-save effort against Bates. Gerry Ward '91 came on strongly on defense in the last half of the campaign. Several players shared the offensive load. Ronald Willett '90 ended up the top scorer with 54 points on 37 goals and 17 assists. Other top scorers included Damon White '89 with 19 goals and eight assists and Sean Murphy '90 with 13 goals and five assists.

■ **Golfers go undefeated:** The men's golf team finished its season by defeating Union by 16 strokes, concluding a dual-meet spring record of 5-0.

David Wheeler '89 played in the No. 1 position throughout the year. At season's end he was selected to play in the NCAA Div. III Golf Championships in Penora, Iowa. Wheeler was also named to the New England Intercollegiate Golf Association All-Star Team.

Andrew Buonincontro '89 and Adrian Easterbrook '89 held down the second and third positions. Devin O'Neill '91, in his first season on the team, compiled the second-best stroke average.

"This is the strongest team I've coached in my ten years of involvement with Middlebury golf," said Coach Russell Reilly. But next year he has to replace the seniors.

■ **Courtmen seventh at NESCACs, best season in seven years:** The Panther tennis team, which was in a rebuilding year, surprised everyone by posting a 7-3 record.

Winners of six of their last seven matches, the team played to a seventh-place tie with Trinity in the New England Small College Athletic Conference meet. The best individual showing in the NESCAC meet was turned in by Middlebury's No.1 doubles team, Rodrigo Prudencio '91 and Mark Harris '92. Prudencio and Harris, who played against each other as high schoolers in Illinois, advanced to the finals by knocking off the tournament's top-seeded team, losing there to the second-seeded team from Williams.

In singles play, No. 1 Prudencio won a match and then lost in the second round. Others who won tournament matches included Pranay Ramdev '89 and John Hosbein '92 in singles competition, and the doubles team of Stewart Rauch '90 and Eric Marcks '92.

Highlights of the dual-meet season were two wins over Vermont, 5-4 and 8-1. The team's three losses—to Amherst, Williams and Bates—were close 5-4 matches.

■ **Baseballers slip to 7-16 with losing finish:** Losers of their last seven games, the Middlebury baseball team dropped a 6-5 decision to Skidmore in the last game to be played on the old Porter Field diamond. Next year the team will move to a brand new field, still under construction across South Street.

A rash of errors, both in the infield and outfield, and a lack of clutch hitting put the team into its end-of-season tailspin. After a 1-4 record in its early season trip to Cocoa Expo in Florida, the team won four of its first six regular season games. Low point was a disastrous trip which saw the team lose to R.P.I. 24-5 and then lose to both Hartwick and Hobart in the Cooperstown Tournament.

Co-capt. Alberto Alvarez '89 emerged as the team's most valuable player and was Middlebury's most effective pitcher all season. The senior righthander accounted for three of the team's seven victories while losing four, including the final Skidmore contest.

Co-capt. Jim Hackett '89 hit .370 and had three homers as shortstop. William Heslam '91, centerfielder, also hit over .300. Gerald Dineen '89, designated hitter, hit .285, belted three homers, and led the team in runs-batted-in with 14.

■ **Track teams improve:** Middlebury's men's track team turned in its best showing in some time at the New England Div. III Championships, finishing eighth in a 26-team field.

Under first-year head coach Martin Beatty, the team had nine qualifiers for the championship meet. Standout weight man Theodore Kuzmeskas '89 placed second in the shot with a personal record heave of 49 feet. The co-captain was also third in the discus. Jefferson Detweiler '90 took second in the discus with a throw of 151 feet.

The Panther 4 x 400-meter sprint team—Ali Wilson '91, Ronald Currie '91, John Cunningham '91, and Eric Wellmann '92—placed fourth in the meet, setting a new Middlebury record with a time of 43.34. Wellmann also captured a sixth in the 200 in a time of 23.0.

The women's squad also showed improvement this year. Four athletes—Madelyn Diaz '90 and Alexandra Benson '91 at 800-meters, Susannah Tracy '91 in the high jump and 400-meter hurdles, and Robin Madsen '90 at the 100-meters—qualified for the ECAC regional meet this spring compared to just one last year.

In dual-meet action, both squads won one and lost three. Both finished second in the Vt. State Meet, and the men placed sixth in the New England Small College Athletic Conference while the women placed eleventh.

■ **Sports shorts:** Goaltender Brent Truchon '92, who helped lead the men's hockey team to an improved 11-11-1 record and a playoff berth this winter, was named the ECAC East Division Rookie of the Year. Truchon compiled an 88.7 save percentage and a 3.65 goals allowed average...

Defenseman Gerald Dineen '89 was named to the New England College Hockey Writers 1989 All-Star Team for his outstanding play last winter. The Middlebury co-captain and most valuable player was one of the region's highest scoring defenders, finishing fourth in team scoring this winter with eight goals and 15 assists. ...

Forward Michael Baumann '92 was named Rookie of the Year by the Vermont Men's College Basketball Coaches Association. Baumann was second in team scoring with a 14.3 per game average, shooting 52.8 from the floor and 71.3 from the freethrow line. He also was second in rebounding with 6.3. per game. ...

Forward Samantha Chapin '89, captain of the 10-5 women's hockey team, was named ECAC Div. III Player of the Year. Chapin was among New England's top scorers with 17 points on seven goals and 10 assists. Both Chapin and defender Victoria Wideman '89 were also named to the annual ECAC All-Star Team. —*Max Petersen*

America should have a big ambition.

The following is excerpted from the commencement address delivered on May 28, 1989 by U.S. Senator William Bradley (D-New Jersey).

Today you'll leave here with your dreams to face a world very different from the one I faced. And I don't just refer here to the fall of Bob Dylan and the rise of Bruce Springsteen.

We live in a time:

—When the global environment is threatened;

—When thousands die each year from a disease unheard of a decade ago;

—When drugs create no-parent families;

—When kids kill kids in our cities and people sleep on the streets;

—When our productivity and prosperity depend on how often we cooperate, how much we invest, and how well we innovate;

—When a new age struggles to be born in the Pacific rim and Europe, China, and the Soviet Union.

And as always at such times, our capacity for imagination will be crucial. Woodrow Wilson once said that leaders "never demonstrated achievement. They conceived it." This is particularly important today as we look at the U.S.S.R. and decide what we should do.

Every day I pick up the newspaper and read a news story about the Soviet Union I never expected. It's like a Dickens novel unfolding before my eyes:

—The Soviets pull out of Afghanistan; unilaterally reduce conventional forces by 500,000; and propose reductions in weapons grade uranium.

—The Kremlin asks for price reform; admits budget deficit three times greater than the U.S. in relative terms; and tells workers they'll be paid based on efforts only.

—Gorbachev declares multi-candidate election; encourages open debate; and repeals decrees limiting religious activity.

What is going on?

In 1985 Mikhail Gorbachev took over a country with a rising infant and adult mortality rate; a country where 13 percent of all deaths were due to bad water; a country that was corrupt to the core, not only in the normal sense of criminality, which was rampant, but also in the sense of people losing faith that the system could deliver anything better for their children.

When Gorbachev took over, he decided that the Soviet Union would remain a fourth-rate economic power and could slip to a second-rate military power by the turn of the century unless he embarked on massive reforms.

Will *perestroika*, *glasnost*, and democratization work? It is too early to tell. But one Soviet reformer I know says the way we will be able to tell if *perestroika* has worked is when more people want to get into the Soviet Union than want to get out.

But what if the Soviet Union really is changing? What if there's an historic transformation going on?

For 50 years, ever since FDR said that the world was divided between human slavery and human freedom, we have known which side we were on. We were against Imperial Japan, the Nazis, Communist China, Soviet Communist expansionism. What if we Americans can no longer define ourselves in opposition to an evil?

D.H. Lawrence once said, "It's never really freedom till you decide what you positively want to be." For 50 years we've been saying what we are not. If the Soviet threat is diminished, in fact, then our challenge will be for positive definition.

Some will say find another enemy—maybe, Japan, Iran, Cuba, Nicaragua. Others—and I put myself in this category—see it as an opportunity for us, in a rapidly changing world, to define who we are and what we believe and offer the world a positive new vision.

What should be the goal for American society?

In one word, excellence.

Thomas Jefferson believed every person in our democracy is potentially "an athlete of body and Aristotle of mind." Everyone in our democracy—healthy and educated.

Impossible you say? Unrealistic? The musing of an agrarian idealist? Maybe. But why shouldn't the goal of American democracy be "every person—healthy and educated?" If not that, whom do we relegate to the "no-chance" category before we start?

Without a goal, how do we measure success? With a lesser goal, how can we live up to the promise of our Founders?

For America, a sense of promise is not a source of pride unless it is pursued and realized.

America should have a big ambition. A continental nation blessed with liberty, natural resources, and diverse peoples needs a big ambition. The nation of Paul Bunyan, Davy Crockett, Pecos Bill cannot accept some miniature ambition. A nation that settled a continent, built an "empire of liberty," saved Europe twice from itself, put a man on the moon, shed an institution and legacy of racial shame, and created a culture imitated around the globe—such a nation cannot accept some miniature ambition.

Jefferson and Madison and Hamilton believed they were creating a new society different from all others, purified in nature yet true to man's universal yearning for individual liberty. Andrew Jackson believed that Americans "are not a perfect people but we are called to a perfect mission." Franklin Delano Roosevelt believed, in the depth of the Depression and against the advance of Fascism, that America represented the last, best, hope of mankind. ...

So why not a big ambition? Why not every person in American—healthy and educated, an athlete of body and Aristotle of mind?

When Jefferson set that goal he was arguing philosophy, but today the need to realize our human potential may very well be the key to our economic and political future in a competitive world. Just think, for example: every American mother who can't afford prenatal health care; every 10-year-old who doesn't have enough to eat; every teenager who can't read the instructions on a frozen food package, much less on a job application; every life wasted by drugs—these mean America not only is less than it could be, but less than we need to be.

For a complete text of Bradley's speech, write the magazine.

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MIDD UPDATE

Rising to the challenge

At Annual Giving's young alumni phonathon held last February in New York, a special challenge was underway between Middlebury's alumni volunteers and those from Hamilton. Hamilton alumnus and trustee, William M. Bristol, III (and father of Pinny Bristol Kuckel '75) offered a check for $1,000 to the school which could raise the most funds during the phonathon. Not to be outdone, John Kirk '39 counter-offered another $1,000 to the school that achieved the highest percentage of participation among those solicited during the phonathon.

And the winner is: Middlebury and Hamilton. Middlebury callers came out on top in the percentage giving category, while Hamilton won the dollars-raised race.

Williams Club memberships

Attention New Yorkers: The Williams Club, closed more than a year for extensive renovations, has reopened. The club has made available a limited number of memberships for Middlebury alumnae and alumni who would like to use its facilities and services. To find out more, call director of alumni relations Hugh Marlow '57, (802) 388-3711, ext. 5202, or the Williams Club, (212) 697-5300.

Previous page: Trustee Patricia Palmer '57 is the first to congratulate daughter Susan '89.

Keep your brain active at Alumni College

Alumni College XIV, scheduled for Aug. 30 to Sept. 3 at Middlebury's picturesque Bread Loaf campus, promises to challenge and educate all alumni, parents and friends. See page 9 for an advertisement describing this year's course offerings and faculty. Alumni College continues to be one of academia's biggest bargains: only $350 for a week of the finest instruction available anywhere.

Chapter News

Boston: In February, during the College's winter break, the BMAA sponsored a Career Night for students at the Josiah Smith Tavern in Weston. Nine alumni from the Boston area represented a variety of professions. According to Valerie Szymkowicz, associate director of Career Counseling and Placement, two dozen students "benefited from the opportunity to hear straight from professionals what their work entailed."...In March the BMAA and the Columbia University Business Club of Boston jointly sponsored a lecture on "Valuing a Small Business," presented by an alumnus of both schools, Lambert Welling '54. Welling couldn't decide which school tie to wear to the event, so he brought both. More than 60 people, 42 of them from Middlebury, attended the lecture and stayed for a reception afterward. A founding partner and managing director of the the investment banking firm of Ulin, Morton, Bradley and Welling, Welling conducted a similar seminar for *Inc.* magazine in November, 1988. ...Boston-area young alumni gathered before the April 29 Middlebury at Tufts lacrosse game for a picnic. After a Panther victory, the group enjoyed a post-game reception. On the following day, BMAA event organizer Lucy Newell Hancock '78 led a group of 84 to a performance of the Big Apple Circus. The Middlebury contingent went on to a reception at Jimbo's, a nearby restaurant. ...On Thursday, May 18, several Vermont Holsteins made a special appearance in the big city, accompanied by Woody Jackson '70. The occasion was a reception and gallery showing of Jackson's famous cow prints at the Bank of Boston gallery. ...The annual Boston Harbor Cruise is scheduled for Wednesday, August 9...On June 30, Churchill Franklin '71 will step down after serving as president of the BMAA for 3 years. Franklin is the founding president of the BMAA; the Boston chapter's pioneering work has spurred the growth of Middlebury's regional alumni chapter program. Franklin's talents will not be lost to the College; on July 1 he is slated to become an alumni trustee, elected to serve a five-year term.The new BMAA president will be chapter vice-president Pamela Nugent '81, president of the Student Alumni Association during her undergraduate years and a former director of the Middlebury College Alumni Association. Bert Welling, who currently heads the chapter's nominating committee, will assume the vice-presidency.

Hartford: On April 27, local alumni chapters of Middlebury, Williams, and Wesleyan co-sponsored a business symposium for young alumni, featuring alumni from the local business and professional community. The panelists described their own career paths, discussed the business and professional climate in Connecticut, and answered questions—in short, serving as mentors for an evening. The Middlebury panelist was Langedon Bell '58, chairman and president of the Bank of Hartford. ...In November, 1988, the Midd-CT Chapter surveyed all Midd alumni in Connecticut (except Fairfield County, which is grouped with New York City). The survey was designed by Kim Adams Weiss '83 and Jennifer Iles Seavey '86. Of 833 surveys mailed, 166 were returned, with responses from the classes of 1921 to 1988. Of the respondents, 48 percent live within a 20-mile radius of Hartford, while 41 percent work within that radius. The responses indicated a high degree of interest in evening and weekend programs with an educational, cultural, or social focus. Forty-nine percent said that they have volunteered for Middlebury, most of them in the Alumni Admissions program.

Midd-Vermont: On February 23, Herbert "Rick" Dalton, director of enrollment planning, and James Williams '74, associate director of admissions, briefed the MVtAA board of directors on

Middlebury's efforts to recruit and retain minority students. They noted that local alumni can help the College by being aware of the problems most minority students have in adapting to life in small-town Vermont—and by helping to create a comfort zone for minority students beyond the campus. ...In April, the MVtAA board voted to extend its reach to the Burlington area. All alumni living in Chittenden County, which includes Burlington, are now being invited to MVtAA events. In addition, chapter president Rick Greene '75 met with nine alumni from the Burlington area to discuss organizing alumni events there, beginning as early as this summer or fall. Alumni living in the Burlington area who are interested in becoming involved with this effort are urged to call Sage Russell '73 at the alumni office, 388-3711, ext. 5187. ...Again this spring, the MVtAA "sponsored" a service at Mead Chapel; the offering collected at the service was donated to local charities, and the service was followed by a brunch at Kirk Alumni Center.

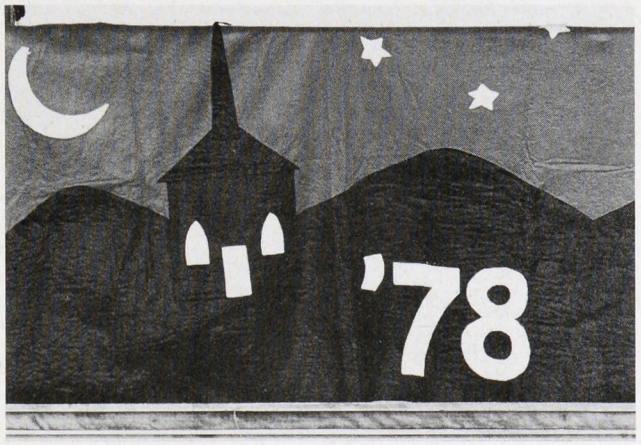
Philadelphia: The Union of Recent Eastern College Alumni, an association of young alumni from 26 colleges (including Middlebury), will hold its annual summer dance on July 14 at Bellwood Mansion in Fairmount Park. Last year over 600 young alumni—less than 20 years out of college—attended. ...Under the leadership of Robyn Stone '81, a group of alumni has begun to discuss organizing events for alumni in both the city and the surrounding area.

Rocky Mountain: Approximately 40 alumni attended the Denver chapter's annual dinner. Guests of honor were geography professors Robert Churchill and Ron Liebowitz, with a special appearance by former chaplain Charles P. Scott. ...Leadership of the RMMAA changed hands at the annual dinner when outgoing president Henry Romaine '86 turned the reins over to vice-president Andrew Mayer '81. Romaine is leaving Denver to attend business school at the University of Chicago. ...On the calendar for late August is the RMMAA's Fifth Official Middlebury Barbeque. Purists may argue that this is really the Fourth Official Barbeque, since last year's picnic was rained out twice and had to be cancelled.

Washington, D.C.: On March 16 at the Capitol Hilton, Ron Brown '62, the newly elected head of the Democratic National Party, addressed 275 alumni and friends of the College. Brown, a Middlebury trustee, told the crowd that since his election, he's received more than 2,500 invitations; he left immediately after his lecture to attend another event. Several prospective students were in the audience. Asked if he could give them any advice, Brown responded, "If Middlebury accepts you, then go!" ...The Potomac Theatre Project, the theatre company founded by Middlebury theatre professors Cheryl Faraone and Richard Romagnoli, will begin its third season in Washington this July. It is a professional company using Equity actors; each year several Middlebury students appear in its productions. This year's plays are *Good* by C.P. Taylor and *The Castle* by Howard Baker at the Hall of Nations. On July 18, the Washington chapter invites alumni to a "Middlebury Night" at the Potomac Theatre Project. For tickets, call (202)398-6650.

Compiled by Sage Russell '73 and Bob Peskin

ALUMNI CALENDAR



July 8	Hartford—Midd/CT Harbor Cruise
13	Philadelphia—Young Alumni/URECA Dance Party
18	Washington DC—Potomac Theatre Project Performance
13-24	France—Alumni Tour with Kirsten Powell
20	Cape Cod—Reception
22	Chicago—Harbor Cruise
August 6	Midd/VT Harbor Cruise
9	Boston—Harbor Cruise
10	Middlebury—Tri-State Luncheon
30-9/3	Bread Loaf—Alumni College XIV
September 8-9	Middlebury—Gordon C. Perine Golf Tournament
15-17	Middlebury—Alumni Leadership Conference
13-10/8	China—Alumni Tour with Don Wyatt
29	Burlington VT—Reception
October 6-8	Homecoming 1989
13-15	Parents Weekend I
27-29	Parents Weekend II
November 1	New York City—Major Donor Dinner
19	Worcester MA—Choir Concert to honor Paris Fletcher '24
December 6	New York City—Holiday Reception
12	Boston—Holiday Reception

For more information about these and other events, call the Alumni Relations Office, (802)388-3711 ext. 5183.

FAMILIES

MARRIAGES

Sandra Koch '77 and Timothy McFarren, May 7, 1988; 405 N. Francis St., Exeter, CA 93221.

Guadalupe Preston and **Richard Wheelock**, October 8, 1988.

Colleen McLean and **John Crawford** '78, October 11, 1986.

Connie Vial '77 and Tom Green, June 25, 1988; RR 2, Box 270, Putney, VT 05346.

Maureen Hays '78 and Dick Mitchell, August 27, 1988; P.O. Box 254, Grafton, MA 01519.

Jeff Anderholm '79 and Terri Waltner, March 1985; 87 Western Ave., Essex, MA 01929.

Lucinda Bain and **Ron Biedermann** '79, September 10, 1988; P.O. Box 1211, Stowe, VT 05672.

Joan Tennyson and **Dave Gilrain** '79 May 1, 1988; 3990 William Court, Charlottesville, VA 22901.

Susan Huffman '79 and Jeffrey Boal, October 22, 1988; 237 Noroton Ave., Darien, CT 06820.

Judith Russ '79 and Robert Habasevich, October 1, 1988; 655 Lindley Road, Glenside, PA 19038.

Susie Estes '80 and Friedrick Jochen Wolter, September 1, 1988; Johannesstrasse 72B, 5300 Bonn 3, West Germany.

Sue Follett '80 and Mark Panella (Dartmouth '78), October 9, 1988; 350 Marlborough St., #3, Boston, MA 02115.

Mary Norton '80 and Thomas Rohrer, August 20, 1988, in Southport, Maine.

Holli Gunther '81 and Alan Harry Roth, January 14, 1989; 109 Eldredge St., Newton, MA 02158.

Charlotte Michelle Quinn and **Christopher Haskell** '81 in August 1988; 105 LaVista Grande, Santa Barbara, CA 93103.

Ruth Turner '81 and G. Hayden McLaughlin (U. Maine Orono) in October 1988; 392 Old Lakeshore Road, Gilford, NH 03246.

Margaret McBride and **Edward Midgley** '82, November 26, 1988; 855 Sleepy Hollow Road, Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510.

Kevin Mahaney '84 and **Sarah Ondaatje** '85, September 27, 1986; 75 West Broadway, Bangor, ME 04401.

Ellen Shammash '84 and Douglas Hotvedt, May 17, 1987; 2285 Stewart Ave., #1418, St. Paul, MN 55116.

Sarah Dunlap and **Rick King**, both '85, August 27, 1988; 278 Clarendon St., #5, Boston, MA 02166.

Karen Casey and **Scot Gould**, both '85, January 7, 1989; P.O. Box 13790, Santa Barbara, CA 93107.

Jenny Karin '85 and Sylvester Herbert Clegg, October 1, 1988; 66 Clarendon St., #2, Boston, MA 02116.

Suzanne Poulin '85 and Mark Rowan on August 20, 1988; 705 Quincy St. N.E., #3, Washington, DC 20017.

Karin Radasch and **Jeff Maddox**, both '85, December 10, 1988; 1505 E. 13th Ave., #11, Denver, CO 80218.

Jane Richardson '86 and Jimmy Dobbs, February 20, 1988; 8364 Morrow Rossburg Road, Morrow, OH 45152.

Dorene Theberge '86 and David Krisovitch (Lafayette '86), December 3, 1988; 7760 Vineyards Lane N.E., #R203, Bremerton, WA 98310.

Melissa Perry '88 and Russell Penton, December 17, 1988; 400 Gillespie St., #116, Starkville, MS 39759.

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Susan E. Stieve (M.A. German '80) to Paul A. Damon on Dec. 23, 1988; 1699 Laurel Ave., St. Paul, MN 55104.

NEW ARRIVALS

A son, James Keena Willis (Jamie), joined **Mike** '70 and **Kathy Page Willis** '72 and daughters Brooke (10) and Sara (8) on January 19, 1989.

A son, Ian, joined Peter Erly and **Heather Briggs** '75 on January 14, 1989.

A daughter, Jennifer, joined Jim Leavitt and **Ellie Davie** '75 on November 30, 1988.

A son, Nicholas John, joined **Russ Marrazzo III** and his wife on December 28, 1988.

A daughter, Julia Kingsley Drake, joined Jon and **Cathy Colton Drake** '76 and Nathaniel and Christina on January 10, 1989.

A daughter, Bethany Edith Lowe, joined Rodney Lowe and **Sally Russell** '76 on December 19, 1988.

A daughter, Hillary Lauren Green, joined **Cindy Lindegren Green** '77 and her husband and children Hillary and Emily on July 16, 1988.

A son, John William Thickstun, joined Margie and **Bill Thickstun** '77 on September 6, 1988.

A son, William Gray, joined Colleen and **John Crawford** '78 on November 20, 1988.

A son, Ian Campbell, joined Mike and **Peggy Daniel Murphy** '78 on September 26, 1988.

A daughter, Jessie, joined **Debby Kittay** '78 and Josh Parker (Yale '78) on April 23, 1988.

A daughter, Jaclyn Leigh, joined Linda and **Jeff Barstow** '80 on August 5, 1988.

A daughter, Jamie Bassett Erdman, joined Bobbie and **Bill Erdman** '80 on February 28, 1989.

A daughter, Amanda Catharine, joined Hal and **Alison Delaney Granger** '80 on November 5, 1988.

A daughter, Mary-Caitlin Carlton, joined **Ned** '80 and **Kathi Iacocca Hentz** '81 on May 15, 1988.

A daughter, Lindsay Amesbury, joined Tom and **Julie Stabler Hull** '80 on January 27, 1989.

A daughter, Shelley Rebecca Humphries, joined **John** and **Anne Wood Humphries** '80 on October 14, 1988.

A daughter, Laura Diane, joined Kathy and **Scott Kissinger** '80 and children Eric and Paul on October 21, 1988.

A daughter, Mary MacArthur, joined Dan and **Betsy Bryan Kohnstamm** '80 on November 11, 1988.

Twins, Connor Brennan and Emily Keegan, joined **Jonathan** and **Annie O'Herron Burleigh**, both 81, on July 18, 1988; 30 St. Nicholas Road, Darien, CT 06820.

A daughter, Caitlin, joined **Stuart Fross** '81 and his wife on February 4, 1989.

Twins, Kyle Donald and Lane Margaret, joined **PJ Murphy** '81 and Margaret Gleason on June 9, 1988.

A daughter, Jenny Rose, joined Wendy and **Mike Price** '81 on December 4, 1988.

A son, Matthew Ryan Cahill, joined Laurie and **Bill Cahill** '82 in July 1988.

A son, Merrick, joined **Charlie** '82 and **Karin von Berg Noyes** '81 and children Megan and Nicholas on February 9, 1989.

A daughter, Katharine Stiles Swiggett, joined Jeff and **Ellen Harris Swiggett** '82 on December 19, 1988.

A daughter, Melanie, joined Bahram and **Karin Teschauer** '83 on June 6, 1988; Josephinen Str. 22, 8000 Munchen 71, West Germany.

A son, Fredrik Lennart Karlsson, joined Bosse and **Cindy Morrison** '84 on August 20, 1988.

A daughter, Elspeth Mary Iralu, joined Jon and **Tammy Gray Iralu** '85 October 7, 1988.

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A daughter, Hannah, joined **Bryan** (French '76) and Nancy C. **Kirkpatrick** on January 18, 1989.

Kathi Iacocca Hentz '81, Ned Hentz '80, and Mary-Caitlin Hentz, December 1988.

Middlebury friendships rekindled by the Class of 1963 Reunion (in 1988) prompted a November get-together in Montclair, N.J., which included (from left) Bert Weaver, Lynn Wilkins Green, Pete Johnson '62, Jane Bachelder Johnson, Michele Whitney, and Dave Carpenter.

THE SCHOOLS

ENGLISH

Betsy Bowen (M.A.'83 and faculty member), an assistant professor of English at Fairfield University (Connecticut), has been awarded a Ph.D. in rhetoric from Carnegie-Mellon University. ...Georgia's 1988 Teacher of the Year is **Larry Wayne Bussey** ('69), who says that he never considered teaching as a career until he took on a brief job as a substitute after graduating from LaGrange College. He fell in love with teaching and has continued in the profession for 20 years, specializing now in creative writing. ...After 31 years of teaching, **Charles Butterfield** (M.A. '75) was honored as the Vermont Teacher of the Year in 1988. He taught biology in Brattleboro, Vt., from 1962 until 1970, when he switched to chemistry. ...The first novel by Rand Richards Cooper ('84, '85, '86) was a Book of the Month Club selection for November 1988. *The First to Go* is a series of 16 interconnected short stories based loosely on his own family and his experiences growing up in New London, Conn. He is now working on a novel set in Africa, where he lived and worked for 18 months while on a Watson Fellowship. ...**Rebecca Godwin** (M.A. '88) read some of her own short stories and excerpts from a novel in process at the library in Bolton Landing, N.Y., in November 1988. ...**Thomas Chandler Hardwick III** (M.A. '83) has been named headmaster of Blair Academy in Blairstown, N.J., an independent school with 365 day and boarding students. ...The National Endowment for the Humanities announced in January that two Bread-Loafers have been chosen as NEH/Reader's Digest Teacher-Scholars. **Marsha Looysen** (M.A. '88) was selected from North Dakota and **Benjamin H. Orr** ('86, '87) from Alaska. NEH selected 53 teachers (one from each state, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands) to undertake an academic year of independent study in the humanities. Marsha will use the award to study how adolescents have been characterized in British and American novels; Benjamin will study the language and literature of native Americans in Alaska. ...**Wesley McNair** (M.A. '68, M.Litt. '75), professor of creative writing and literature at the University of Maine-Farmington, has been awarded a $20,000 Fellowship Grant in Poetry by the National Endowment for the Arts. Previous awards have included another Fellowship Grant in Poetry and his another grant from the N.E.A., which also awarded him a Poet-in-Residence Fellowship. ...**Dave Wilson** (M.A. '86), who has completed his doctorate at the University of Iowa, has taken a position as assistant professor of English education at the University of Nebraska.

FRENCH

Laura L. Brown (M.A. '79) has been promoted to senior associate director of media relations for the National Association of Manufacturers, where she is the chief writer and media liaison for labor, health, and legal issues. ...After completing her degree in Paris, **Candice Burgess** (M.A.'85) worked for a year in the international trade division of the Dallas Trade Mart, then returned to Paris to work for the Paris Chamber of Commerce. Since November 1987 she has been with the development office of the New World Trade Center of Paris, which is to be part of the Centre des Nouvelles Industries et Technologies. ...**Marilyn J. Conwell** ('53, '55) was the recipient of the Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching at Rosemont (Pa.) College, where she has taught since 1963. A University of Pennsylvania Ph.D., she designed and supervised the installation of a language laboratory at Rosemont and collaborated with the library in the establishment of an education resource center. She has also developed computer software for use by beginning French and Spanish students and has been a consultant for Equational Testing Service. ...The National Endowment for the Humanities selected **Jane B. Goodman** (M.A. '77) as Vermont's NEH/Reader's Digest Teacher-Scholar for 1989. NEH selected one teacher from each state to undertake an academic year of independent study on topics in history, literature, or foreign languages. Calling her NEH Teacher-Scholar sabbatical "the opportunity of a lifetime," she will take a year off from teaching French in Essex Junction., Vt., to study the writings of Voltaire and Rousseau. ...**Elaine M. Mayer** (M.A. '71), who earned her Ph.D. at Walden University in Florida, is now a professor of anthropology at her alma mater, Salve Regina College in Rhode Island. ...The Benedictine monks of Assumption Abbey in Richardton, N.D., elected the Rev. **Patrick Moore** (M.A. '71) as their new abbot in December 1988. He has taught at Assumption College in Richardton and at Mary College in Bismarck, and has also served as chaplain at St. Alexius Medical Center in Bismarck, where he is head of the pastoral care department. ...**Alice Ryan** (M.A. '55) enjoyed some excitement on her boarding school campus this year when Australian director Peter Weir (*Gallipoli, Witness*) selected St. Andrew's in Delaware as the site of his next movie, *The Dead Poets Society*. The movie stars Robin Williams as a charismatic English teacher who defies the strict expectations of school authorities in a small boarding school in the late 1950s. If you look closely at the scenes in the headmaster's office, you will see Alice sitting just outside the office, playing the part of the headmaster's secretary. Alice said she learned a lot about moviemaking during her two days of shooting and particularly enjoyed chatting with the movie's headmaster, Norman Lloyd of *St. Elsewhere* fame. Alice, who in real life heads the modern language department and acts as the school's registrar, recently enjoyed a sabbatical in France, where she was enrolled at the University of Paris VII and traveled extensively through France, Italy, and Spain. ...The French government recently honored **John W. Welker** (M.A. '51) for his years of teaching French language and culture by naming him Chevalier in the Order of Arts and Letters. His extensive research on French King Louis-Philippe established that monarch as an important literary figure. Welker retired in 1987 from a teaching career at Austin Peay State University in Tennessee.

GERMAN

The New York State Association of Foreign Language Teachers awarded the 1988 Goethe House Award to **Joseph Castine** (M.A. '72). He was planning to use the $2,500 scholarship to attend an international seminar in either Berlin or Hamburg this summer. ...**Claire A. Clemens** (M.A. '78) would like to hear news of her classmates from the '77-'78 year in Mainz. She has worked mainly in the travel field and is married to Norbert Hedderich, a native German, who is pursuing doctoral studies at Purdue University. Their two daughters, ages 4 and 2, are growing up bilingually.

RUSSIAN

Through an exchange program of the New England Society of Newspaper Editors and the Union of Soviet Journalists, **Andrew Yurkovsky** ('83) had the opportunity to work for three months on a newspaper in Moscow. He is a reporter for the *Manchester* (Conn.) *Herald*, where he covers city hall news. ...**Eric Tepper** ('87, '88), who spent fall 1988 studying in the Soviet Union, continued his Russian studies at Georgetown University's School of Language and Linguistics in the spring.

SPANISH

Diane Bucy Fernandez (M.A. '69) lives in Madrid where she is married to a Spanish engineer. For two years she has been the associate director of the Tulane Newcomb Junior Year in Spain Program, in which she was also a participant. Her predecessor in that position was **Joyce Greer Crespo** (M.A. '55). ...The Webb School in Bell Buckle, Tenn., has announced the appointment of **A. Jon Frere** (M.A. '66) as the school's new headmaster. A graduate of Franklin and Marshall College, he has taught and served as director of athletics at Blair Academy (Blairstown, N.J.), and, at St. Stephen's Episcopal School in Austin, Texas, he was assistant headmaster and dean of students. ...**James Willis Robb** (M.A. '50), Professor Emeritus at George Washington University, presented papers at a Colombian Week literary symposium at Georgetown University in April and at the Northeast Modern Language Association meetings in Wilmington, Del., in May. ...The National Endowment for the Humanities selected **Karen M. Steadman** (M.A. '70) as California's NEH/Reader's Digest Teacher-Scholar for 1989. NEH selected one teacher from each state to undertake an academic year of independent study in a field of the humanities. A Spanish teacher at Gonzales Union High School for the past 12 years, Karen will use the award to study different literary, historical, and artistic interpretations of the conquest of Mexico. Her goal: "When the Columbian Quincentenary is celebrated in 1992, I want to teach my students about this 'encuentro de dos culturas' which changed the course of both European and American history."

WRITERS' CONFERENCE

Who's Who Among American Women has recognized **Olivia Ferrante** ('74) for her outstanding achievements in teaching and working for the handicapped community. She has served as chair of the Braille department of the National Braille Press and as a member of the advisory boards of the Massachusetts Commission for the Blind and

Radio Reading Service for the Blind. She is also a consultant for the Revere PTA Council. ...**Gerald A. Lazzaro** ('87) read from his works at the Meadville (Pa.) Council of the Arts in October 1988. He is an instructor of English and communication at the Titusville campus of the University of Pittsburgh. ...*Song of Napalm*, the fifth book of poetry by **Bruce Weigl** ('81) is, in effect, a record of his tour of duty in Vietnam, where he served with the First Air Cavalry in 1967-68. A professor of English in the writing program of Pennsylvania State University, he has won a Pushcart Prize, the Academy of American Poets Prize, and an award from the Vietnam Veterans of America.

OBITUARIES

1929
HELEN FAY OSHER (French), 84, of Estherville, Iowa, on January 24, 1989. After receiving her B.A. from Grinnell College, she did graduate work at the University of Minnesota and the University of Wisconsin, as well as at Middlebury. She taught French and Spanish at many schools and at the University of Wisconsin. In recent years she taught English to Vietnamese immigrants.

1931
DOROTHY KNOX (French M.A.), 88, of Taunton, Mass., on November 4, 1988. A graduate of Radcliffe College, she taught in North Carolina and California, as well as in her native Massachusetts, until her retirement in 1970. She was active in the American Association of University Women, Old Colony Historical Society, Bristol County Retired Teachers' Association, First Parish Alliance and the Taunton Women's Club, of which she was a past president.

1934
FLORENCE M. SMITH (French M.A.), 94, of Key Biscayne, Fla., on December 20, 1988. A graduate of Smith College, her teaching career took her to Stafford Springs, Conn., New York City, and Springfield, Mass., where she served as head of the modern language department of the former Classical High School.

1938
CLAUDE P. LEMIEUX (French M.A.), 79, of Annapolis, Md., on January 4, 1989. A retired Navy Commander, he taught French, Spanish, German, and Russian at the U.S. Naval Academy from 1940 until his retirement. During a 20-year period he traveled annually to the Soviet Union and was a noted scholar of Soviet affairs. He was a graduate of Louisiana State University, with a master's degree from Narquette University. He also pursued advanced studies at Yale University, Cornell University, and several universities in France and Germany. He was a member of numerous professional and scholastic organizations, among them the American Society of Slavonic and East European Languages. He was an associate editor of the U.S. Naval Institute Proceedings.

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HEWITT L. PEASE (French M.A.), 82, of Chester, MA, on March 10, 1989. A summa cum laude graduate of Williams College, he taught languages at Chester High School from 1931 to 1942, when he entered the Army. After serving in the Army, he entered the family business, the Pease General Store in Chester, which he ran until it was sold in 1982.

1940
DOROTHEA M. SCHMIDT (French M.A.), of Freeport, Ill., on December 3, 1988.

1953
GLADYS C. JENSEN (English M.A.), 64, of Longmeadow, Mass., in February 1989. A graduate of the University of Massachusetts, she received a master's degree in youth counseling and guidance from Columbia University before going on to complete her M.A. at the Bread Loaf School of English. After teaching in Vermont, Massachusetts and New York, she joined the staff of Longmeadow (Mass.) High School when it opened in 1955. She served as guidance counselor there until her retirement in 1979.

1958
DORIS deKEYSERLINGK (Russian M.A.), 86, of Williamstown, Mass., on February 21, 1989. An associate professor emerita of Russian and German at Williams College, she was the first woman to be granted tenure at Williams since its founding in 1793. Born in St. Petersburg, Russia, of Swiss parents, she recalled making bandages during World War I, along with the grand duchesses, including Anastasia. She also recalled seeing Czar Nicholas II making snowmen in the palace garden. After the revolution, she moved to Finland with her family and finished her schooling in Switzerland, then studied German at the University of Berlin. She moved to the United States in 1937 to join her fiance, Baron Klaus deKeyserlingk, who had spoken out against Hitler. She and her husband returned to Germany in 1946 to participate in the Nuremberg Trials, where she was a translator. They remained in U.S. government service in Germany until 1952, when she returned to the U.S. to do graduate work in Russian at Columbia University, New York University and Middlebury. When she received her Middlebury degree in 1958, Williams College had decided to revive its Russian studies program, spurred by the heightened Cold War and the success of Sputnik, and they hired her to head it. Eight years later she received tenure and she remained at Williams until her retirement in 1971.

1967
JOAN McCABE (M.A. English), 49, of Freehold, N.J., on January 6, 1989. A graduate of New Rochelle College, she was chair of the language department at Cedar Ridge High School in Old Bridge Township, N.J.

1969
LARRY D. CHAMBERLAIN (German). We have received word of his death in 1979.

1978
FERN CHERTKOW (French) of Salt Lake City, Utah, on October 4, 1988. She received her Ph.D.in humanities from the University of Utah. She taught English and had several short stories published.

FRIENDS
HENRI M. PEYRE, 87, of New Haven, Conn., on December 9, 1988. The recipient of an honorary degree from Middlebury in 1957, he served for 25 years as chairman of Yale University's department of French and was widely regarded as an unofficial ambassador of French culture in the United States.

FRIENDS
OLGA AVERINO, 93, of Cambridge, Mass., on January 17, 1989. A lyric soprano who sang with the Boston Symphony Orchestra under Serge Koussevitsky, she was also a soloist at weekly concerts of the French School in the late 1930s and early 1940s. She introduced many of her hearers to the songs of Ravel, Debussy, Duparc, and Faure. She taught for more than five decades at Wellesley College, the Longy School, and the New School of Music in Cambridge. She continued to hold classes at her home until the time of her death.

FACULTY
THEODORE MORRISON, 87, of Amherst, Mass., on November 27, 1988. A poet and novelist, he taught creative writing at Harvard University from 1930 to 1973 and was director of the Bread Loaf Writers' Conference from 1932 through 1955. Middlebury awarded him an honorary degree in 1951. He wrote four novels, published four books of poetry, and wrote *The Portable Chaucer*, a modernization of the principal works of the Middle English poet. He also wrote a history of the Writers' Conference. A close friend of Robert Frost, he and his wife purchased the Homer Noble Farm in Ripton after Frost's death. When Middlebury purchased the property in 1966, the Morrisons served as custodians of the property for several years.

FACULTY
LUC DARIOSECQ, 63, of Paris, France, on September 8, 1988. He taught at the French School in 1960 and was director of the School in Paris in the fall of 1960.

FACULTY
SALVATORE J. CASTIGLIONE, 78, of Cornwall, Vt., March 29, 1989. He was born in New Haven, Conn., and received both his B.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Yale University. In addition to teaching appointments at Yale, Rutgers University, and Georgetown University, he served as director of Middlebury's Italian School from 1948 to 1975. He established the Graduate School of Italian in Florence in 1960 and was the director of that program again in 1970-71. In addition, he was Jean Thomas Fulton professor of Italian at the College from 1966 until his retirement in 1975. Mr. Castiglione was honored in 1970 as Cavaliere Ufficiale del'Ordine "al merito della Republica Italiana," which is the highest award given to an American by the Italian government. He was a member of the American Association of Teachers in Italian, serving as its president in 1956. He was a member of the Modern Language Association of America as well as a former director of the Amity Club. He leaves his wife, Pierina Borrani Castiglione, who also has taught in the Italian School and directed the School in Florence. He also leaves a daughter, Vanna Francia; two brothers, Charles J. and Frank M. Castiglione; and two grandchildren, all of Hamden, Conn.

THE CLASSES

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Class Secretary: *Miss Ruth A. Hesselgrave, c/o Mrs. Polly U. Kahler, 2805 SW 14th St., Ocala, FL 32674.*

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Class Secretary: *Mrs. Julius Kroeck (Elsa Holmstrom), 376 Central St., Acton, MA 01720.*

Ethel Wells Hislop wrote that she has a new address: Bldg. C, Apt. 532, 4285 Kent Road, Stow, Ohio 44224. Her new location is called "Apartment Living." She has a small four-room apartment and loves it. Two meals a day are provided, as well as the bed linen and its laundering. Her apartment is cleaned once a week. She says the food is great. She attends whichever of the daily activities she prefers.

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Class Secretary: *Mrs. Allen C. Clifford (Catherine Robbins), 15 Carver St., Brandon, VT 05733.*

It was interesting to read in the local papers about the Eastern Intercollegiate Ski Association Championships hosted by Middlebury College at its 58th Winter Carnival. Unfortunately, the cross country events had to be moved elsewhere due to heavy rains which spoiled the snow at lower elevations, but the downhill events were successfully held at the Snow Bowl. ...It saddens me to report the death of **Mildred Parkhill Baldwin** on January 3, 1989. Mildred taught school until her marriage to Kenneth Baldwin after which they owned and operated Fairview Orchard in Hampton, N.Y. Survivors include a daughter, Carol Clark of Raymond, N.H., and a son, John Baldwin of Fair Haven, Vt. I'd like to add that for four years Mildred and I drove a horse the four miles to Middlebury High School from Cornwall. We drove her horse one week and drove mine the next. ...Also I have received notice of the death of **Edwin Julian Klock**. He was a retired General Electric Company executive. His obituary will appear elsewhere in the *Magazine*.

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Class Secretaries: *Mr. and Mrs. Reginald M. Savage (Dorothy Taylor), 118 Tiffany Road, Norwell, MA 02061.*

Our distinguished classmate, **Paris Fletcher**, was the recipient of another honor when he was given the Easter Seal's 1988 Parker Trowbridge Founders Award in October 1988. This award cited not only his service of over 40 years to the Massachusetts Easter Seal Society, but also to many of Worcester's charitable and educational organizations during his more than 60 years as a resident of that city. Among those congratulating Paris for this award was President Ronald Reagan in a personal letter to Paris. ...**Clarence H. "Sam" Botsford** reported that "natural" snow was a pretty scarce item in the ski areas of the White Mountains this year, but the slopes were using much of the man-made variety, said by the managers to be very good. Sam recently made a couple of trips for check-ups at the Portland, Maine, Mercy Hospital where his granddaughter is an R.N. ...In her letter of February 11, 1989, **Carolyn Griffith Tarbell** said her brother, John, would be driving her to Middlebury in June to be counted among the classmates returning for our 65th Reunion. They were then planning to fly from Albany, N.Y., to Phoenix, Ariz. From there they planned to use a rented automobile to drive to Show Low, Ariz., for a visit with Carolyn's son, Kenneth, Jr., in his new home. ...The Stamford, Conn., Methodist Church observed its 200th anniversary in 1988. **Anna Wilkinson Pratt** and her husband were active members of this church for 48 years (although they lived in Darien for 40 of those years). When the trips to services at the Stamford church became tiring they joined the Noroton Presbyterian Church in walking distance from their home. Their car was totalled in an accident, but there were miraculously no serious injuries to Anna or her husband. Since then they have been finding out about the many services for the elderly available in their community. A church food committee supplied them with meals for two weeks at the time of their accident. The Christmas season afforded them a marvelous concert with chorus and orchestra sponsored and directed by the St. Johns Roman Catholic Church of Noroton. It was held in the lovely new Sheraton Hotel Ball room and was the highlight of the season. ...**Marion Janes McIntosh** spent three

High notes

Marshall Sewell '37 has received New Jersey's Outstanding Fundraiser of the Year award from the State Conference on Philanthropy. He published an article, "Retired Power: Putting It to Work," in *Fund Raising Management* magazine.

Everett "Joe" Allen '38 has recorded a video version of his 1976 best seller, *A Wind to Shake the World*, the story of the 1938 hurricane. The book, published by Little, Brown, went into its 7th printing on the 50th anniversary of the hurricane, and the video has been nominated for a national cable TV award.

Ralph Crawshaw '43, M.D., has been cited for his "leadership and initiatives in democratizing health decisions," and for giving individuals the opportunity to choose. The Prudential Foundation has awarded a Leadership Grant of $5,000 to Oregon Health Decisions in recognition of Crawshaw's seminal work in the field of biomedical ethics and community health decision.

Ralph Loveys '51 has been chosen to head "the most ambitious program ever undertaken by a toll road," namely the $2 billion widening program for the New Jersey Turnpike Authority. He will oversee the clean up of more than ten toxic and garbage dumps along the northern portion of the route.

Alan Gussow '52, busier than ever with his painting, organizing of collective art projects, and serving as visiting artist and lecturer at colleges and universities, also serves as chairman of the board of directors of Friends of the Earth, U.S., which he recently assisted to merge with Environmental Policy Institute and the Oceanic Society. En route to Krakow, Poland, for an FOE International meeting last fall, he visited the small hamlet in Lithuania where his father was born and from which he emigrated 75 years ago.

Nancy Clemens Crosby '53 has been elected president of the board of trustees of the Rotch-Jones-Duff House and Garden Museum in Bedford, Mass. She is also on the board of the Dartmouth Natural Resources Trust.

Art Bass '54, former president of Federal Express, has been named president and chief executive officer of Cooper Cos., Inc., a Palo Alto based health care company.

John Baker'55 has revised his book *How to Build a House with an Architect* (Harper & Row) and is preparing a manuscript on the development of the American house. Three of Baker's houses were in the *Better Homes and Gardens* top ten all-time favorites, plus they were chosen for the "Design USA" exhibit on display in the USSR ('89-'90).

Ann Halsted '55 earned her doctorate in history of education last December from Stanford. Since Middlebury, Halsted has been a guide at the United Nations, a volunteer for UNICEF in Honolulu, a writer, and a 1987 visitor to China. Teaching in Hawaii is her next assignment.

Robert "Tom" Heller '55, a 25-year veteran of Doubleday, has become president of Crossroad/Continuum in New York.

T. Richardson Miner '58 is chairman-elect of the National Association for Hospital Development. He is director of the Lahey Clinic Foundation in Burlington, Mass., and a fellow of NAHD—the highest level of recognition in the health-care development field.

Don Snyder '66 has been awarded the Navy Commendation Medal for meritorious achievement for his two years as Commanding Officer of the Fleet Intelligence Rapid Support Team Pacific, Naval Air Reserve Center in Minneapolis, Minn. He was also promoted to the rank of Captain in the U.S. Naval Reserve.

Ed Kanze '78, wildlife advocate, has been studying the genetics of the tuatara, a rare reptile whose ancestors date back two million years. These creatures are extinct everywhere in the world except on a few New Zealand islands, where Ed and his team of researchers spent two months last winter. Kanze, the former curator of the Trailside Nature Museum at Connecticut's Ward Pound Ridge Reservation, is working on a book on the tuatara project.

Masha Nordbye '78 became interested in the Russian Circus while working as a producer/writer on the National Geographic special *Inside the Soviet Circus*. She helped produce the Moscow segment of *Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood Goes to Russia*, and worked her way through 70 countries, covering 20,000 miles in the Soviet Union. She is now writing a book on the Russian Circus while working with Disney Enterprises on a Mickey Mouse Russian film festival for the Disney channel.

Pam Brown '85 is the executive director of the Special Legislative Commission on Growth and Change in Massachusetts.

months last summer on the Maine coast which she found to be pleasantly cooler than at home. In a recent telephone conversation, Marion expressed the hope of spending at least one day (Saturday) at our 65th Reunion. ...While visiting her niece, Judy, in Devon, Pa., for Christmas, **Ruth "Squigs" Quigley** had the misfortune to fall on a stairway, sustaining a fractured right hip. There followed six weeks in Pennsylvania hospitals, including four weeks in a rehabilitation hospital in Melvin, Pa. After another weekend at her niece's home the first part of February, Squigs returned to her New York City home. With the continued therapy her recovery has been most satisfactory. ...**Helen Cleveland Elder** writes that her social life during the winter was greatly slowed down due to illness, accidents, and people off to Florida. Two bridge clubs have become one bridge club with two tables, but no one was finding fault with the pleasant weather through January and February. ...**Frances Smith** writes that Vermont has had little snow on her side of the mountains, but that children were enjoying skating rinks—something she hadn't seen for some time. Her big Christmas delight was the two TV showings of the Middlebury College music program with interludes of Vermont scenes and the poetry of Robert Frost. ...Your secretary, **Reg Savage**, reports his entrance into his tenth decade which occurred in February. He was cheered by about 50 friends and visits by a son from New Hampshire and a granddaughter from Philadelphia. The latter, a senior at the University of Pennsylvania, was the "surprise" of the party! ...For four months beginning May 16, 1988, our much traveled classmate, Dr. **Stan Harris**, criss-crossed this country, starting out with his Ford truck pulling a pop-up tent trailer, on visits to friends and relatives. His first stop was in Cincinnati, Ohio, to attend a grandson's wedding. He then went on to Annapolis, Md., arriving in time to witness some of the graduation events of the U.S. Naval Academy with his daughter, Beth, who, with her husband, Capt. Ben Stuller, USN, have a new home in that area. Stan flew to Arvada, Colo., to spend some time with his daughter, Ruth '51, and her husband, Ken Carlson '50, and where Stan spent more time with his computers writing more family history. On this visit Stan had the opportunity to take in a couple of goat shows at which daughter Ruth was awarded blue ribbons with the animals which she showed. Stan then accompanied his daughter, Beth, who had been in California, on a return trip east to Rochester, N.Y., where they visited his son, Bob. Here they enjoyed a mini-family reunion with granddaughter Cindy, her husband, Bruce, and their two babies. The first of August Stan went to Arcadia National Park in Maine where his son, Bob, had been assigned by Kodak, his employer, to conduct photographic seminars, work shops, and slide programs. The first half of the visit occurred during the national hot weather spell but was made pleasant by visits of more friends and relatives. On Stan's return to Phoenix from Maine he visited a former Merck colleague and scientific collaborator in New Hampshire, then made stops in Rochester and Binghamton, N.Y., to see a brother and another weekend with daughter Beth and her husband in Annapolis. He then went home through New Jersey and North Carolina. In mid-September he arrived in Phoenix to discover that his apartment partner, Ed Elton, was quite unwell. His illness was subsequently diagnosed as lung cancer but a serious heart condition caused his death in mid-October. Stan is thus alone again in his apartment. But he has his computers and is now busy as a volunteer doing income tax preparations for the elderly.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Donald D. Fredrickson (Dorothy Johnson) 199 Central Avenue, Madison, NJ 07940, and Donald R. Banks, Rudd Pond Road, Millerton, NY 12546.*

All too rapidly our ranks are thinning. We are saddened by the deaths of **Rosalind Higgins Weston** on September 9, 1988; **Oscar W. Cooley** on November 25, 1988; **Louise Elmer MacAleese** on December 15, 1988; and **Lucius H. Bassett** on February 11, 1989. Expressions of condolence have been extended to their families. ...An early February report from **Don Cann** indicates that he must be in reasonably good health for the simple reason that he did not mention any problems. He is to be commended for his positive attitude. His strenuous work while treating patients as an osteopath in the Daytona Beach, Fla., area for 35 years must have kept him in good physical condition. Don says that the last Class of '25 Reunion he attended was our 25th in 1950. He did, however, attend wife Ruth's (Moore '29) 50th Reunion in 1979. Don, you have to make up for all that you have missed by joining us in 1990 for our 65th. We are counting on you. ...**Dot Johnson Fredrickson** has been trying to get **Esther Spooner** to relate incidents during her lifetime for use in our column. Her persistence has paid off and here is Esther's contribution: "Ladies & Gentlemen: I don't mind telling you that Dottie Johnson of Newburyport 1921 has been doing a 'Simon Legree' on me to get me to talk to you. Not one of you has any desire to hear from me, as we all know, but it finally came to a blow-by-blow phone conversation in which I talked most freely. I complimented her on the recent tales in the *Middlebury Magazine*. She said people wanted 'more-more' and would I please give out some stories of the past. So I began..., but one by one tales I told didn't seem quite the thing for public press, though delightfully mind-arresting. Then she asked me about things I had *done* and I may say I've already begun to worry about my obituary. Trying to remember where I *was* is hard enough, let alone trying to remember what I was doing. I phoned her back to apologize and we talked another hour. There *was* something she could use for the *Magazine*—those verses I was asked to write for Class Day Exercises. I couldn't bear to leave Midd—to do anything about graduating—but late one night I went down the steep path to Mead Chapel and crawled under the low branches of a big tree and by Chapel light I wrote these lines:

Class Poem
Middlebury College, VT. - 1925

Our four years here now seem
Like four short days of joyous life
Too soon passed by.

We only know that when we come to think
About the things we've added to ourselves
There has been much of gain
And we can find no loss.

We have known friendships here
Which mean a joy we cannot speak aloud

Up here we've had the mountains and the sky
And all that clear clean rush of mountain air.
These filled our lives
And made for nothing but the good.

And if in these next years our lot should be
To do some little thing of worth out in the world
'Twill be because the chapel standing there
So white against the sky
Has loved us, and we know its light
And feel the ever-watchful care it keeps
Of all our lives.

'Twill be because we hear again, at evening,
With the sunset flaming on these hills
Its chimebells ringing in our hearts
And speaking God to us
Through all the world.

Esther, you have brought back many fond memories with your poem. We all thank you for your contribution to our column and hope that you will come up with another "gem" for a future issue. ...**Dot Tillapaugh Headley** has previously reported many interesting events in her 39-plus years. Here comes another: Spurred on by a recent article in *Vermont Life* magazine, she secured a copy of a publication entitled "My Mama Rolled Out of the Sleigh." This sparked a vivid memory of an incident of Dot's younger days when she was connected with a Vermont state agency in Montpelier: "Sixty years ago, when I was Washington County's Extension Home Demonstration Agent, I too (though no Mama then), rolled out of a sleigh. I had scheduled an all-day meeting with the "County Road Group" on a day when the County Road was too deep in fresh snow to get there, even with tire chains on, in the Model-T Ford the Farm Bureau provided for me. The people at the Extension Service, Agricultural Agent, 4-H Club Agent, and Home Demonstration Agent, prided ourselves on getting anywhere in the County that the RFD mailman could go. Thus it came about that I walked to the Livery Stable, hired a horse and sleigh (most likely a "pung"), and drove the five or six miles to my destination. I still remember how beautiful the frosted evergreens in the still woods looked. A group of ten to twenty women, some with babies or preschool youngsters, had gathered at the Willard farm house, bringing food for their pot-luck lunch, and we had a fine day. When it came time to go home, Mr. Willard brought my horse and sleigh back to the roadside, my arms laden with a variety of impediments as I climbed into the sleigh. Warm blankets were tucked around me. I gathered the reins and off we went, the homebound horse not even waiting for my "Gid-dap" and slap of the reins, and off we started, no one noticing that the sleigh was atop a bank of drifted snow. Over we went, sleigh and I, all the "stuff" I was taking with me, including folders of loose papers which were immediately strewn over a considerable area. The horse was stopped, vehicle righted, Dorothy rescued unharmed from her snow featherbed, once more ensconced in the sleigh, and was on her way again for the return trip in late afternoon sunlight slanting through the woods to the city lights of Montpelier." Thank you, Dot, for another "laugher."

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Class Secretary: *Elizabeth Goodale Murray, P.O. Box 354, Captiva Island, FL 33924.*

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Class Secretary: *Howard Cutler, Indian Chase Drive, Greenwich, CT 06830.*

Julia B. Austin, writing in mid-February from Vermont, said she had difficulty believing that winter was half over. "Though the lack of a heavy snowfall can produce dire results later on, we'll hope for the best. I've kept in touch with Rachel, Rummy, and Gunny off and on. Gunny has sold her condo in Deland and moved in to a retirement home a couple of streets over. I know she would love to hear from any of you as she has difficulty communicating with a pen. She asked me to send her new address to the College, which I did. (See new address below under "Carlson"). Judy then asks, "Is it too soon for us to think about going back

for our 65th? If you think it is, buy a cane. I have one. It is surely a big help, especially in the winter." ...**Scott A. Babcock** is "Alive and well at 82 plus. The devil takes care of his own! Or what have you to suggest? Three wonderful grandsons and a wife who is still patient, and red-headed! It has all been wonderful!" ...**Gunhild Elfstrom Carlson**'s new address is Mrs. Eric B. Carlson, Woodland Towers, Apt. 316, 173 Chipola Avenue, Deland, FL 32720 (telephone 904-736-5765). ...**Elizabeth (Betty) Ferguson**, now of Willoughby, Ohio, sends "Greetings from Breckenridge Village which is a busy, friendly place to live—besides it's back to my family's original home with all my sisters here also." ...**Joe Finnegan** writes from Florida, "We are thankful for Elizabeth's excellent recovery from her near-fatal heart stoppage! In view of doctor's orders for a bare minimum of air travel we have booked with Holland America Lines for a 17-day voyage through the Canal and up the coast to San Francisco which will enable us to visit all nine of our grandchildren at Modesto and Rohnert Park. We will embark at Tampa and return by air to Clearwater. The journey from April 29 to May 30 gives ample time for rest and visitation." Shifting to home fun, Joe concludes, "Our season tickets for the Phillies grapefruit games have come and we shall see many of the league teams in Clearwater in the month of March. ...**Harold M. Fisher** had a stroke last August. He made a good recovery and is at home in Grafton, N.Y., with his wife, Mildred. ...**Ramona Brown Fleming** says she is "still going strong at 82—taking advantage of all this college town (Williamstown, Mass.) has to offer. Much consideration is given to all seniors here. We are in a beautiful section of New England and are lucky to have much going on all the time. I have traveled far and wide and, for all-year-living, this is it for me." ...**Marion Morgan Herrlich**: "I changed my routine this year and went north for the winter. I moved to Burlington, Vt., December 1 and will return to Grafton April 15. The weather has been amazing. There has been very little snow but I suppose we will have storms in February and March." Her Grafton address is Box 96, Middletown Road, Grafton, VT 05146 (telephone, 802-864-7072). ...**Eva Menotti Fitzgerald** wrote on Valentine's Day, "I have just received from **Rhoda Southall** and Elaine Mansell some of their superdelicious raspberry conserve which I will presently enjoy on hot biscuits that are baking right now in the oven. Wish you were here! My love and best wishes to all members of the Class of '27—what else can one say on Valentine's Day?" ...**Edna Graham Hinds** writes, "I am here in St. Petersburg, Fla., where I have been since December 14. Lovely summer weather all this time. Return home (Binghamton, N.Y.) the last of February. I was at Lake Mascoma, N.H., for a week last July. In June, for a weekend, I was at a friend's home acting as an interpreter for her French cousins from Paris. I was glad to renew my Middlebury years of oral French." ...**Francis** and Evelyn Jones '29 **Ives** have a new address: 139 Holden St., Holden, MA 01520. ...**Margaret Sedgwick Mertens** wrote at the end of February that winter in Kennett Squre, Pa., had been unusually warm: "We would have welcomed snow." Peg continued, "I visited my younger son's new home near Harpers Ferry, W. Va., for Thanksgiving and Christmas. He's on the Shenandoah River and looks at the Blue Ridge mountains. So beautiful!" ...**F. Wallace Patch** says, "As reported last time, both my wife (Frances Baldwin '28) and I are now nursing home residents with little likelihood that we can look forward to any significant change in our situation before its termination. With best wishes to you folks from Wally Patch." ...**Halbert E. Phillips** "Nothing really to pass along. You must remember that winter is the season when we Floridians stay home and entertain our relations and friends who are here briefly. Both Helen and I are in good health, though I must admit it takes me longer to do the every-day items than it used to. Helen is getting over her recent implant, following cataract surgery. Soon we will be playing golf again." ...**Katie Roberts**: "I have no news to report except that my sister and I spent Christmas as usual in Bethesda, Md., with my brother's family. Looking back at the autumn '88 class news, I found that **Kathleen Maloney Crafts** was listed as 'lost.' I received a note from her two or three years ago. At that time she was living in Hyde Park, Vt. (05655)." ...**Rhoda B. Southall**: "Since our vacation home became our permanent home in 1975 our life style has changed very much. We used to go to the theatre in New York and to the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Now the Spencertown Academy in our small village (Spencertown, N.Y.) offers a great variety of plays, concerts, and art exhibits by artists from far and near. We are able to enjoy the best of movies both in French and English on our VCR." Commenting on the unusually dry winter, Rhoda says "We 'country folk' have to worry about our wells when Mother Nature does not provide." As to a real diversion, "our friends love to watch our deer who come every afternoon to feed on the corn which I put out by the pailful. I am sure they watch for me although I do not see them. I hardly reach the house before 10 or 12 will appear to feast." ...**David Williams**: "As in former years since retiring from the Travelers I still enjoy a rather uneventful life. My chief interest is working around the yard. I've gone from caring for my lawn and my next door neighbor's to doing less and less of my own. I no longer mow mine. I do trim and rake. Having a garden didn't pay as the shade caused less and less to be produced. I belong to a good book club and so enjoy good reading. I follow closely the 26 professional baseball teams, keeping records of their wins and losses for 14 years. University of Connecticut and University of Hartford have good basketball teams so I listen to them on the radio. In the fall I listen to college and professional football. My wife and I still enjoy good health, for which we are thankful. We are more or less active in our church, Second Congregational here in Manchester, Conn., where we have just celebrated 100 years for the building, and 137 years for the church organization." ...**Elga Maxfield Winans**: "Nothing new or difficult since I last wrote. Love living in North Carolina—and on a golf course. Still play eighteen holes twice a week and lots of gardening. We have a 'Golden Girls' group who golf once a month. They are widows who enjoy life. I don't travel any more but am content to stay here." ...**Elizabeth Hack Simons ("Lisbo")** exclaims "What a time we live in! Would you have believed back in 1927 that our class would be attending the Emperor Hirohito's funeral in Japan in 1989, or could be seeing our new President in China donating a Bible to the church he used to attend! Life today is very exciting—so much to do and see, if you are able! If not, and you've had a hospital experience, have you read Dr. Seuss' book *You're Only Old Once*? It's really a must. You'll die laughing. Happy 1989 everybody!" ...In February, **Howard Cutler** received word from Robert Donaghey, Middlebury's director of financial aid, concerning Janelle Moburg '89 of Milwaukee, Wis., this year's recipient of the Class of 1927 Scholarship Fund award. At that report, Miss Moburg had chosen a double major in art and history, was continuing to do well academically, and was extremely busy completing requirements and working on her Independent Study for graduation this spring. Mr. Donaghey added that Miss Moburg played on the women's soccer team and was helping to defray college expenses by working as an assistant at the campus information booth. ...We (Mr. and Mrs. **Howard W. Cutler**) came South in mid-January, partly to escape northern cold. The southern variety seems equally chilling most of the time—even some snow flurries! My annual tax-work gloom was very hard on Beck. But after all these years she continues to bear up under, or with, it. However, the comings and goings of the horse racing season are here, with resultant visiting back and forth. Expect to stay down here until mid-May as usual. Both of us currently well. Over the past months several of you classmates have written me to express pleasure about the quarterly Class Notes I have worked on. I appreciate that. But remember it's the content, not the mechanics of production, that creates the pleasure of reading. So continue that good work and encourage others to join in. All of you can then enjoy rightfully deserved self-congratulation.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Clifford R. Oviatt (Jane Carrick), Middlebury East #9A, RD 1, Middlebury, VT 05753, and William K. Donald, 14740 Eden St., Palm Acres at Shell Point, Fort Myers, FL 33908.*

Who among us can recall a college personality who has left a warmer memory of college days than our revered Prexy Moody? He was a man of great moral and intellectual stature who was to so many of us the ideal, perfect gentleman, yet fatherly and human. Perhaps that is why in 1976 our class leaders, **Johnny Walker, Del Hadley Lardner, Nap Blanchette, Mimi Sweet Coombs, Hank Ferry** and others chose to honor him at our 50th Reunion. They worked with the College to provide a room in the newly-constructed Kirk Alumni Center to be dedicated at our reunion as the Moody Room. It was to house contributions of artifacts of the Moody era, but especially the creative works of our classmates. Many of us remember close contacts with Prexy. We asked his daughter, **Margaret "Tib" Moody Rice** to give us a peek of Prexy at home and she kindly responded with "My Father, Paul Moody": We arrived in Middlebury in the fall of 1921 on a wave of euphoria. After two years in New York, the whole family was ready for the country, and #3 South Street with its lawns and fields stretching down to Otter Creek seemed idyllic. Since work had to be done on the house, we settled in at the old Addison House, forerunner of the Middlebury Inn, while we explored the town, becoming familiar with such landmarks as Joe Calvi and Charlie Rich. The subsequent years are full of vivid memories of tea by the fire, Sunday night suppers with chapel speakers when we tried to guard the tea wagon (after an unhappy experience with cream puffs) from whatever dog was in residence; of breakfasts, one of the most leisurely meals, when we waited for Father to push his chair back from the table and lift his pipe, a ceremony that was never hurried. Mother might go off to the kitchen to start the day's activities, but my sister and I or whoever was visiting would stay for the talk, which was always lovely. Father had read omnivorously all his life, and books were everywhere. He urged his early enthusiasms on us—Meredith and Maurice Hewlett, Yeats, and Swinburne and Masefield, and later John Buchan, Kenneth Roberts, Robert Benchley, and George Chappell. We took the *New York Times* and various magazines—*Harpers* and the *Atlantic* and the *New Yorker* when it was born in 1925—so

there was always talk of what we were all reading, apart from politics and local topics. There were evenings when he would read aloud to mother as she sewed, or when he was reminded of favorite passages with visiting friends. Our world revolved around him, and it was an exciting family in which to grow up. He had a wonderful sense of humor and many enthusiasms—tennis and golf and chess, and animals of all kinds, though by the time we got to Middlebury, he had confined himself to one dog. His days in Northfield had encompassed horses, sheep dogs, and Airedales tumbling all over each other, and lambs, which mother often had to put in kitchen cupboards to keep warm. He delighted in plans for new buildings, and I think he felt the accomplishment of the Chateau one of his most successful endeavors. He loved chapel, both Sunday and daily, and felt there a real bond with the students. He was sympathetic and compassionate and I think did more for needy students than we knew, with small loans often out of his own pocket, or arranging lodgings for those who could not meet the dormitory fees. He anguished over some of the decisions he had to make, and while he tried not to bring his problems home, we usually knew he had difficult ones. Because he was a man of honor, he trusted others. There were various appointments which took him away—Trustees meetings in New York, consultations with architects over new buildings, Sunday chapel talks at Wheaton, Hamilton, etc., and meetings of the New England college presidents, all of which he enjoyed. He loved the theatre and his associations at the Yale and Century Clubs, and we always looked forward to his return, for he was usually full of stories. Also, to our delight, he always brought back a box of Barracini miniature chocolates. Occasionally if one of us would have a weekend away with him, he was one of the most companionable of people. He did things in style, and one of my fondest memories was a luncheon at the Ritz in Boston with the beautiful blue glasses, when prudence might have dictated a sandwich at the nearest drugstore. Mother's first concern was always for him, and in these days of latchkey children and working mothers, it's interesting to look back and realize that she was always home. Groceries were ordered by phone, and though she would go calling on new faculty wives or to faculty teas, she always walked. Home was where she wanted to be, and she loved the usual domesticities—cooking and silver polishing, but above all gardening and having flowers all over the house. She was quiet and self-effacing, but of great perception, and father sought her opinion before all others. Though it may seem surprising, she was a wonderful mimic. The first instance we had of it was one night when father seemed strangely quiet and mother in desperation took off a crotchety town character with such skill he burst out laughing. She went to concerts and lectures and debates, and years later told me she trained herself to keep awake by keeping her feet off the floor. She loved entertaining faculty and students and having receptions there in the house where they could seem informal. When the house at Shrewsbury became available, both father and mother adopted it as home. Father loved walking the boundaries, talking to the Plumleys, the farmers down the road, helping with the haying, and dreaming about planting an apple orchard. We had no telephone so evenings by the fire had a special serenity. Kittens that had moved in, thanks to the grandchildren, delighted father, and I can see him reading in a wing chair with a small kitten sound asleep on his shoulder. The summer schools interested him particularly. He had close friends in the French and later in the German and Italian schools. But Bread Loaf was a special delight, and the Writers' Conference was the basis of many good friendships—Robert Frost, the deVotos and Morrisons and Donald Oenslager. He was a wonderful raconteur and there were some memorable evenings of talk. A letter from John Mason Brown after his death spoke of looking forward to "Moody evenings with a grand dinner and grand talks at your house. You Moodys have always been the symbols of goodness, of friendship, of gaiety. Dr. Moody was that rare combination—complete kindness and genuine strength." And from another friend: "I loved him for the incisive quality of his mind, the greatness of his soul and the warmth of his heart." ...Readers of the class columns in recent issues will have noted intimate tales of the Moody personality and kindly treatment. Following are a few memories from classmates. ...**Earl Hindes** was our tennis star for four years and Prexy was one of his coaches. They enjoyed many happy hours together on the courts. Earl also recalls the famous football game with UVM. When it was apparent that we would win the game, Prexy rushed from the bleachers, to get Gamaliel Painter's cane so we would all proudly hear him "tap, tap, tapping" in celebration. ...**Alice Fales O'Conner**, you will recall, was one of the editors of the *Campus*, editor-in-chief of the *Saxonian*, and one of our literary lights. Prexy took a very special interest in her and she appreciated his "wonderful recommendation" for her first job. This was the well-known Scott Foresman and Co., where she scaled the ladder, both in New York and Chicago, retiring in 1968 as director of elementary and secondary school advertising. ...**Zella Cole Hibbert** added her interesting Moody story: "We home ec majors at the Homestead invited President and Mrs. Moody to dinner. I am sure it was not Thanksgiving but we did have a turkey dinner with all the trimmings. **Jane French Douglass** and I were in charge of cooking the bird. All went well until, trying to get the bird out of the oven without burning ourselves, we tipped the roasting pan too much to one side. The bird fell out and skidded across the floor. Fortunately it did not fall apart. So we squelched our laughter, quickly picked it up, put it on the platter and served it to our illustrious guests, from whom we heard no complaints." Jane has another memory of that semester at the Homestead. "The thing I remember most was making an apple pie which was quite a success. Miss Knapp asked me how I made the delicious crust and when told, she said, 'Well, it's very good in spite of the way you made it.'" ...Some of us, years ago, enjoyed the lodging and sumptuous meals at **Fred Whittemore**'s Dorset Inn on the Green at Dorset, Vt. For many years Fred was the owner and genial host of the centuries-old, big, white inn. If you were fortunate, you may have enjoyed a Saturday evening dinner there, and if so you will recall Freddie's entertaining performance, top hat and all. His letter to us around the New Year reminded us of those days. A few years ago he transferred his ownership of the inn to a family member and retired to his big white colonial house across the street. Time marches on. Now he and Marjorie will be moving to his adjacent guest house. His P.O Box #60 will remain the same. They will continue to spend their winters at Florida's Vero Beach. Fred points out an error in the winter issue which we regret and are happy to correct. The late **Malcolm Cary** was a member of Delta Sig and not of DU. ...**Helen Revere Hatch** describes the first days of the Chateau which opened its doors to us in September 1925. "Honor bound to speak French, we began looking for our rooms. Mine was next door to **Marg Cross** and her sister Polly '27. Down the hall we could hear Sis Norton '27 call 'Ou est mon coat hanger?' Before going down to dinner we used to congregate around the piano in the hall outside the drawing room to sing French songs or dance. Some of those girls could really Charleston! Meals were a bit formal with Mademoiselle or a faculty member presiding over each table. When we had a date it must have been a shock to hear us shift from English to French as we passed the Music House that was our 'Ligne de demarcation.' When a real snowstorm blew in, hampered as we were by Flapper-day galoshes, we *knew* the Chateau had been deliberately placed miles from the Library. In retrospect, I appreciated my years in the new Chateau, but 62 years later, I'm so glad to be in Florida." ...It's about time we brought you up to date on **Storrs Lee** who was basking in Hawaii this winter, as usual. He has sent an interesting reminder of our days of yore—and how things have changed! "In 1924 we, as freshman males, were a rather repressed submissive lot, kept in a state of subjection by sophomore paddles and volunteer upperclass gendarmes; never daring to appear in public uncrowned by our limp blue caps; forbidden to display on our persons any symbols of the preschool honors we had won; required to use the long-way-around paved walks, no matter how late to class we were, never daring to take the convenient, muddy shortcuts engraved across the campus greensward by upper classmen; restricted in wearing apparel to the least colorful garments—no knickers, no gay stockings, or sweaters; rounded up periodically like cattle for participation in P-rades, the Hat-scrap, and community prayers for rain under the windows of the women's dormitories. With more or less continuity all this hocus-pocus had survived for generations and we conveyed it to the next. Perhaps with a little less enthusiasm, it outlasted the Depression period, until World War II. It ended then and there. The war intervened long enough to extinguish virtually all memory and vestiges of these attempts to inculcate so-called 'college spirit.'" ...In November **Jane Carrick Oviatt** and Gordie Perine '49 enjoyed a fascinating visit with **Roger Cleveland** at his New Hampton, N.H., home. His house dates from 1798 and was a stop on the underground railway. They had the unique experience of seeing his cellar which contains the burial spots of two slaves who never got any farther along the escape route. Roger's home is extraordinarily rich with tributes and testimonials, a huge library and mementos of the many years of his service to church and community. He has been most generous in donating art objects to the College, including a first strike of a Turner etching of Roger's ancestral Chateau Gaillard in Normandy and a painting, *West River*, by Hibbard. He gave an original Currier and Ives for the Moody Collection. He has also given the collection a copy of a book of poetry he wrote, *The Heritage of Friends*. This is one of four books Roger has authored and this one was printed in England when he was rector of the United Reformed Church in Devizes, Wiltshire, England. He regaled them with stories such as the occasion when he gave a Masonic lecture to a choir group, among whom was the Duke of Kent, Queen Elizabeth's uncle and the Grand Master of Masons in England. Just to balance it all he displayed several tankards from the Bunny Club which he insists were sent to him by doting friends. Out on his lawn was a beautiful gazebo recently presented to him by relatives and where he has spent many hours. Despite serious health problems Roger is still going strong at 87. Do write him at New Hampton, N.H. He will bless you. And he does answer letters promptly so you will be much rewarded. ...**Alice Fales O'Conner**, **Earl Hindes**, and **Bill Donald** attended a College luncheon in January in Tampa, Fla. Since Alice had been unable to attend our 60th Reunion, Earl and Bill had a great time bringing her up to date on class news and reminisc-

ing about old times. ...En route home Bill called on Charles and **Tib Moody Rice** and enjoyed a pleasant visit at their lovely apartment on beautiful Longboat Key, just off the shores of Sarasota. Tib is well, active, and enjoying the southern life during the winter. ...We learned from his wife, Adeline, that **Forrest Pratt** has moved to Marriott Manor, near their home in Horseheads, N.Y. They have a private line hooked up so they can converse with each other at any time. She told us how disappointed Forrest had been to miss the reunion and how much they had enjoyed a visit from our peripatetic **Ab Carney** and Evy last May. We phoned Forrest and found him high-spirited and bearing up under some of the problems of the Golden Years. He misses his former outdoor life, particularly the frequent rounds of golf and his fishing excursions. As he says, there are days when he feels so well he wonders if he shouldn't return to his home and Adeline. He was with the Bendix Corporation in Binghamton for many years in the responsible position of production and material control management. ...So many of you have referred to the memorable days in Contemporary Civilization that we are looking for choice incidents involving Prof. Kingsley. Do send in some of your fond memories! ...Address corrections have come to us for **Marjorie Dewing** (RFD #1, Franklin, VT 05457; 802-285-6766) and **Gordon E. Wiley** (171 North Maple St., Room B16, Warsaw, NY 14569). ...Birthdays are coming along so get ready with the cards—or orchids if you prefer! *Happy birthday to* **Jane French Douglass** and **Fran Baldwin Patch** on July 4; **Elizabeth Stouton Westfall** on July 14; **John March** on July 22; **Betty Hoadley** on July 27; **Storrs Lee** on August 3; **Helen Bailey** on August 8; **Margaret Moody Rice** on August 27; **Eva Marshall Douglas** on August 28; **Marjorie Cross Smith** on August 29; **Luke Collins** on September 5; **Forrest Pratt** on September 18; **Genevieve Brown Lander** on September 21; **Marguerite Kent Fitzpatrick** on September 24; and **Mary Sawyer** on September 29. ...We are saddened to report the death of **Lorna Senecal Sylvester** on February 5, 1989. Most of you will remember her as **Mildred Senecal**. She was well known across the country for her outstanding contribution in the field of psychiatric social work. We extend our heart-felt sympathies to her husband, John Sylvester. We are very grateful to John for his generosity in preparing to send us a vast array of material which Lorna had been in the process of getting ready for presentation to us. ...We have also learned of the February 6, 1989, passing of **Carlton Chipman** and, on February 25, of **Florence Porter McClintock**. The sympathy of the class is extended to their families. ...Our sympathies go to Ruth and **Wally Gollnick** upon the death of their youngest son who was just embarking on a promising career in theatrical production.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. E. J. Kelly (Frances Foley), 130 Prospect Ave., Northampton, MA 01060, and J. Malcolm Williams, 6430 Beechwood Ave., Sarasota, FL 33581.*

"Rye" Lynch (117 Main St., Byfield, MA 01922) wrote to say that he recently met Phyllis Sanderson '36. After a few minutes they discovered that not only were they both alumni of Middlebury, but they were also born and raised in northeast Connecticut within about ten miles of each other. Having retired since 1970 and having lost his wife six years ago, Rye now devotes his energy to fostering various elderly care programs: "Because so many people were so kind and good to us, I decided to do the same for others." He serves as chairperson of the Newberry C.O.A., director of Byfield Elderly Housing, president of the Northern Essex Elder Transport, and director of Elder Services of the Merrimack Valley. He joked that "all of these (volunteer) jobs are in the high-income bracket."

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Class Secretary: *Mrs. Beecher W. Dudey (Helen Kendall), 220 Ash St., Corinth, NY 12822.*

John and **Francelia Rose Howe Haff** love the area of their new apartment at #5, 6092 60th NW street, Oak Harbor, WA 98277. Fran's son, Dr. Warren Howe, lives nearby. So, her cracked vertebra and other problems get welcome attention. The younger Howes and Hoffs living in the Seattle area come often to Oak Harbor; some of the families remaining in New York State visited during the holidays. ...**Clarissa Peirce** enjoys her "quieter" life in Deerfield, N.H. ...**Fred Dirks** took part in an economics seminar at Midd last spring. ...**Ruth Potter Bode**, whose husband Albert died in 1988, is adjusting. Two of her sons live near her, a third is "only a few hours away," and her daughter in Texas visited her in January. ...Ray and **Hazel Downing Orts** are also lucky to have a daughter living in their town, Southampton, N.Y. ...**Wallace** and Evelyn Clement '32 **Green** are happy to have their daughters, Janet and Carol, nearby. Janet is teaching at UVM. ... Eleanor and **Howard Huntress** have chosen a retirement complex in Chapel Hill, N.C., for their new home. ...**Grosvenor Crooks** says his residence is expanding. He hears the sound of hammers and saws. ...**Muriel Johnson Thorn** "may yet get to Rio." Her daughter, Wilma, was home for Christmas from her teaching job in Brazil. ...**Ginny Knox** is the active one! She took an Amtrak coast-to-coast trip, she has been to Midd several times, and she occasionally goes to the Cape for golf. She calls herself a "Senior Swinger." ...I (**Helen Kendall Dudey**) am no "swinger." Both Beecher and I have had to change our lifestyle. After Beech collapsed in late January and spent ten days in the hospital, we have been made to "stay put." There seem to be no big trips in our future. ...**Bert Nylen** is still active. He reports that one of his sons has come home from Texas, his daughter broke an ankle, and his other son, Robert of *The New England Monthly*, is now on the board of directors of the National Magazine Publishers' Association. ...**Al Morse** and his wife are living in a home at 865 Central Ave., E302, North Hill, Needham, MA 02192. ...**Lib Parker Andrews** is well. She is comfortable in her new home, where she has been living for more than three years. ...**Ralph Woodbury** and his boys sold their retail lumberyards to a London conglomerate. The boys will be kept busy enough with their Harvest Homes Pre-Fab Plant, but Rapid and Carolyn have been freed for cruising and travel. On the *Stella Solaris* they have visited places in Scandinavia, Europe, and Greece; on the *Crown Odyssey* they have gone through the North Sea and seen the capitols on the Baltic Sea. They then returned to Glens Falls, N.Y., and went to St. Catherine's, Ontario, before "settling back" in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., for the winter and spring. ...Ted and **Nathalie Hall Jones** sent their usual Christmas greeting card, sharing with us pictures of their family. In 1988 they found time to go to Florida, Germany, California, and Washington state, as well as to Maine. ...**Carl** and Mary Danserau '36 **Howard** are both fine. ...**Marian Cruikshank**'s choice of a retirement complex is the residence at 101 Chadwick St., B-12, Worcester, MA 01605. What a hassle she (and others of us) went through in preparing for these moves! Marian had an operation on the inverted lid of the same eye which had required a cataract operation in December '87. She also had a fall last year. Let's hope that Cruikie has a quiet summer! ...**Thelma French Walker** has no problems driving, in spite of the implants in her eyes. She bowls once a week and enjoys dinners with the local senior group. Both of Thelma's families are nearby, and her oldest grandson has become an electrical engineer. ...We are sorry to learn, through his daughter Jean, that **Lloyd Hackett** died on December 17, 1988. ...We have also learned that **Dorothy Knapp Gray** died on January 11, 1989. ...Hal and **Ruth Sturtevant Pierce** went to Michigan to attend the wedding of their grandson, who is a minister. Two days later Ruth suffered a stroke from which she is still recovering. ...**Lila Maxfield Gerland** is leading a "quiet life." She does not see these as our golden years. Her sister, Elga M. Winans '27, visited her recently. Lila, who loved the game of golf before her illness four years ago, must be satisfied with enjoying the lovely beach nearby. ...We can be proud of the achievements of Heidi Locke, recipient of the Class of 1930 Scholarship Fund. An A student in French and international politics/economics, Heidi spent her fall term of 1987 in Paris. A 1989 graduate, Heidi has been a member of the Student Advisory Council, involved with the Student-Alumni Association, and headwaiter in the Chateau dining hall. Heidi's hobbies include tennis and skiing. ...Enjoy the summer weather!

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Class Secretaries: *Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth C. Parker (Linnea Wall), P.O. Box 94, 266 Hardings Beach Road, West Chatham, MA 02669.*

Ruth Morrison Wilcox writes that she was able to retire last October when the King Frederick Hotel in Fredericksted, St. Croix, where she worked for many years, was sold. She still goes weekly to the local needlepoint group, "The Stitch and Bitch," and also works on the Hot Line. She may move to the mainland where she can again enjoy "the amenities of civilization." ...George and **Nathalie Lewis Emery** had a busy fall. They moved George's brother and sister into a retirement home, then emptied their house and put it up for sale. They also had a full house on Thanksgiving. Nathalie is looking forward to our 60th in 1991. (That's really not so far off!) She hopes that **Helena Dundas Rayner** will be able to join us. How about it, Helena? The Emerys have plans for a July trip to Alaska and perhaps back to "our beloved New England." We hope to see them at that time. ...**Ken MacClelland** was honored by a surprise party to celebrate his 80th birthday. He was joined by many friends and relatives and had an exhibition of his own designed Christmas cards. Unfortunately, Ken developed temporal arteritis which endangered his sight. We understand that it resulted in the loss of one eye. We hope he has recovered and is making out well by now. ...**Dick Fear** is still mixing work and travel. He returned from an assignment in London before Christmas and he hoped to travel to Singapore in March. Last September he went to the Canadian Rockies where they did some 50 miles of hiking. In October he went to the Arctic in search of polar bears: "a great trip and we saw some 20 bears up close." ...**Lucy Booth Goodwin** has been looking into retirement communities for the future. Her grandson, Stephen Hopkins '90, is still at Middlebury; grandson Chris Hopkins '87, was at Bread Loaf last summer, working on

his master's degree in English. ...Betty and **Phil Brewer** traveled to Vermont last summer to visit their oldest daughter and grandchildren. They stopped to visit Elizabeth and **Wendell Weeks**. Over the years, Wendell has been giving Phil "courses" in shingling, lawn mowing, and woodchopping. Phil says he is "accumulating enough points for a Master's Degree in Homesteading as practiced by competent and successful Vermonters." Vermont, he says "is no longer a pleasant drive through the countryside—civilization has intruded."

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Class Secretaries: *Dr. and Mrs. Gray N. Taylor (Georgiana Hulett), 182 Lancaster St., Albany, NY 12210.*

Arnold T. Melbye has sent us a handsome brochure describing the 13th Annual Bird Carvers Exhibit held at the Cape Cod Museum of Natural History last September. In the list of "Major Exhibitors" he is listed as the "Dean of Bird Carvers." A well-deserved title, we'd say, since he made working decoys in the 1920s and began decorative carving in 1935. He is credited with initiating the Museum's first carvers' exhibit. With his note to us he enclosed ten *gorgeous* photos of some of his bird carvings. We're promoting an exhibit of his work at our 60th in '92! ...**Robert L. Miller** (Bob) writes from North Naples, Fla.: "My wife, Janet, and I have become permanent residents since 1982. We love it here what with golf, bridge, church, and many dear friends. We spend summers in Milwaukee and travel to visit our children and families wherever they are. Do a lot of Xmas and birthday shopping for our eight children, 27 grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren." We say, "Whew!" ... Bart and **Frances Gale Dulac** have a new address: The Shores, Apt. 905, 1700 Third Ave., Bradenton, FL 34205. Frances rejoices that her eye operation has left her with 20/20 vision. ...**Emily Smith** is still mountain climbing. An English friend spent a month with her last fall. They had met at the Girl Scout and Girl Guide Chalet in Switzerland nearly 40 years ago and have been in touch ever since. Emily gardens in the summer and keeps a greenhouse in the winter. One day a week she volunteers in the church-sponsored Manchester area soup kitchen. We wonder if some of her vegetables end up in the soup? ...**Ford (Fliv) Hinman** reports a very happy outcome from complete knee replacement surgery on both knees. "I'm not anticipating strenuous physical activities, but for the first time in a long time, *I do not hurt*." That's great news, Fliv, and we all rejoice with you. ...After playing a church organ since she was 13, **Cleone Ford Smith** now has to say no to invitations to play as substitute organist. She still has her grand piano and plays often for herself and friends. She says that although husband Stew is supposed to be retired, he has frequent calls from Springfield (Mass.) Redevelopment Authority for the engineering expertise gained in his construction company and because of his reputation for honest dealing. They have two daughters: Marylou with Pan Am in Houston, and Sue as comptroller at the Springfield Civic Center. ...**George B. Owen** is active as part-time assistant pastor at Plymouth Congregational UCC Church in Kansas. He's returned from a five-week trip to California visiting 18 of his close relatives (including four grandchildren and seven "greats"). He's all hyped up for our 60th in '92! ...We had a telephone chat with **Anna Pope Antoniewicz** in Port Charlotte, Fla. Her husband, Romeo, died in late November after an illness of several months. Anna herself was hospitalized around Christmas time, and was doubtful if she could make the trip south. But she did, although she found the trip very tiring. She was expecting to be at her cottage on Lake Bomoseen, Vt., this summer. ...Talked on the phone with **Lester (Sandy)** and Theta Conant '31 **Claflin** in Shell Point Village, Fort Myers. They are living in a life-care facility which provides for medical attention when needed. It was fortunate that they were able to make those arrangements for, almost immediately after moving, Sandy became ill with a rare bacterial infection he had picked up in the north just prior to relocating. He is slowly recovering and they are optimistic about the future and planning to be at our 60th. ...We are saddened to learn of the deaths of **Willa Smith Kretzmer** in November 1988, and of **Sara G. Harnden (Sally)** in January 1989. The Class of 1932 sends sympathy to their friends and families.

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Class Secretaries: *Dr. and Mrs. Philip L. Carpenter (Helen Easton), 83 Quagnut Drive, Wakefield, RI 02879-4602.*

Thank you all for your Christmas greetings. We were overwhelmed to hear from so many. This time we decided to buck tradition and arrange the class notes in anti-alphabetical order. So, instead of starting with Allen, Bryant, and Buffum, we will start with Wicks, White, and Wells, and let the last be first for a change. ...**Virginia Kent Wicks** and her daughter, Barbara, flew to Maine to celebrate Christmas with Frank, Jr., and his family. She says she also gets to see her other daughter, Araby, from time to time when she comes east from California to New York City on business for *Sunset Magazine*. ...**Pete White** sent an interesting account of some of his year's activities. In February 1988 he visited his cousin in Redlands, Calif., and called a mutual friend of many Middleburyites, Alice Thompson Powell. Her father, Dr. Franklin Thompson, taught philosophy and sociology from 1925 to 1928. Then Pete headed for Alta, Utah, and a week of skiing with Wyman Smith '35 and a party of six. "The youngster, a geologist, was fiftyish; the rest—psychiatrist, microbiologist, lawyer, mathematician, physicist—were all over 70. Marvelous trip! Our 55th Reunion was a tremendous success due to the work of so many. Having almost 50 percent of the class return was remarkable. This year I attended two Alumni College courses: the Macintosh Computer in June and the Gorbachev Revolution in September. In Nova Scotia I am still up to my ears in volunteer work: Kiwanis Club; Easter Seal Committee chairman for fund-raising, aid request review, spring and fall clinics; consultant to Queen's Adult Service Centre, workshop for mentally and physically disabled; Alzheimer Society; Port Medway FD. Am also working with a C4-C5 quadriplegic, trying to get support, select proper equipment, and teach him to run a computer with a mouthstick so he can become productive again. Just made it to Maine two days before Christmas. Have had the usual great but strenuous holiday with my expanded family here: four Christmas tree ceremonies and two big dinners. The kids, 2 and 11, naturally stole the show. I..am..just..about..recovered!" ... Fran and **Harry Wells** attended the wedding of their grandson, Ian Wells, on November 26 in Monroe, N.C. He is now in the Coast Guard, stationed in Charleston, S.C. ...Tom and **Ginny Whittier Warthin** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary October 15 at the home of their son, Scott, in Derby Line, Vt., in "great style." Present for the weekend were their sons, both ushers, and the one living bridesmaid. The Warthins spent Christmas in Paris with son number three and his family. ...Ted and **Lois Lewthwaite Walter** enjoyed their uninsulated summer cottage so much that they stayed there until December. However, she said, "Thank goodness for a fireplace, electric heaters, and electric blankets." They were then heading for Texas to spend the holidays with their daughters and families. ...Dusty and **Dick Roberts** visited their son, Dick, and family in Iowa City last September. They renewed their baby-feeding skills with week-old twins: Kathryn Elizabeth (first girl out of six) and Christopher James. What a great birthday present for Dusty! ...Last fall **Homer Powell** and the family took a fast trip across northern U.S.A. to the West Coast, then down to San Francisco, and back through Reno and Salt Lake City to Vermont. They planned to go to Florida as usual for three months to escape the worst of the winter. ...Louise Fleig **Newman** '35 wrote that **Hank** was just as busy as ever last year with his AOPA and community activities. In March he attended a Dallas Chamber of Commerce meeting at which attendees placed their business cards in a bowl. At the end of the meeting his card was drawn, and the prize was two round-trip tickets to Frankfurt. In May Louise had back surgery (which explains why they were unable to attend reunion). Anticipation hastened her recovery so they began their trip on October 11, just after an AOPA convention in Nashville at which Hank was presented a Sharples Award for his contribution to General Aviation and to AOPA. The award included an honorarium of $500 and a Seiko watch. For an account of their trip to Germany, turn to the Class of '35 notes. ...**Bill McDonough** says he hates to cook and do housework, but visiting his daughters in Tarrytown, N.Y., and Marlboro, Mass., helps. "Last summer we all spent several weeks in Summerville, S.C., and I try to play as much golf as possible." ...**Horace Loomis** has a new address: 5317 Orleans Ave., El Paso, TX 79924. ...**Barbara Truman Lindgren** also has a new address: 15 Iroquois Trail, Ruckersville, VA 22968 ...**Baden Lewis** was in the hospital twice last May and once in September. The last time he was shunted around among so many doctors that he checked himself out after a week and planned to get well on his own. His son has had his first child, which makes 17 grandchildren for Baden. We believe he leads the class in number of grandchildren. ... Halvor and **Marg Haynes Lacher** spent Christmas in Albuquerque, N.M., with their daughter, Kath, and her family. ...As we write this, Prof. **Ralph Huse** expects to be having a cataract removal and implant in his right eye, the left having been done last June, just after reunion. "The only drawback to this deal is that it takes me away from golf for another seven weeks. My sister in Durham, N.H., sent an article from the *Boston Globe* re fraternities. I certainly hope that someone with a cooler head does not permit faculty interference and elimination of fraternities. It will be a sad day if this occurs." ...**Ro Martin Hubbard** still keeps busy substituting in the high school and volunteering in church and library work in Rochester, Vt. ...**Ruth Nodding Hopkins** and **Mary Omwake Dearborn** evidently had more visiting to do than time permitted at the reunion. Ruth spent some time with Mary in North Carolina in September. ...**John Hartrey** had an operation on his hand last April and, as of December, was having trouble with one of the two hip replacements he had in 1977-80. Gertrude wrote that it would probably have to be redone. She said that before all this happened they were able to travel in Europe and Hawaii and enjoyed several cruises. They still manage to visit her sister in Maine every year and Sue Treillet LaBounty '35 on Lake Champlain. They were getting together for Christmas with their family: four

children and 11 grandchildren. ...**Ev Gould** spent the holidays with his children and grandchildren and returned home "tired but renewed in spirit," and laden with new books full of thought-provoking ideas. He says he has now arrived at the stage of going through boxes of family pictures that didn't make it into albums. Among them were some of him in uniform in France or Germany; his grin indicated that he expected to be going home soon. He commented about a Chamber of Commerce speaker whose topic was "How the EPA Affects the Small Community": "He forgot to mention the small community but gave us an alphabet soup of the many branches of EPA and their functions. When he got through I didn't know much more than when he began. My well is so polluted with sulfur that I have to buy drinking water at the store for 70 cents per gallon. A plumber is supposed to come and install a filter, but he seems to find enough emergency work to prevent his appearing." ...Perky **Glazier** wrote that **Mel** had "recovered from cataract surgery, as if he didn't have enough troubles already." ... John and **Dot Wheaton Fallon** were sorry to miss the 55th Reunion but greatly enjoyed the letters and mementos from classmates and the reunion picture. "We find that some parts have given out, but we go along with what's left. John developed problems like mine and had surgery twice this past year." ...**Bill Deemer** died December 8, 1988, at the Veterans Hospital in Sheridan, Wyoming, after a very long illness. He is survived by his mother and stepfather, Mr. and Mrs. Jay J. Fritz of Dunedin, Fla., and by his two daughters, to all of whom we extend heartfelt sympathy. ... Jack and **Marian Ball Davidson** "had a wonderful 50th wedding anniversary party in October." Congratulations! ...Howard and **Faith Kellogg Dailey** went on a cruise with Vermont Fire Chief friends in September and planned to go to Florida in April as usual. ...Louise and **Clark Corliss** wrote with special pleasure about the 55th Reunion. They noted that all 12 of their children and grandchildren live near enough to celebrate birthdays and holidays together. One such 1989 event will be their 50th wedding anniversary. In addition, they already have tentative plans for a three-week elderhostel experience in Denmark, Sweden, and Finland in July. ...Helen and **Rollin Campbell** will always remember 1988 as the year that gave them their first grandchild, Ashley Lynn, daughter of Scott and Lori Campbell Martin. "We drove up to the hospital from Syracuse, where Lori is a medical technologist, and had the amazing experience of holding a day-old baby. As we drove home from the reunion at Middlebury our 1979 Nova developed strange hiccups, which threatened further travel. So we bought a fire-engine-red Honda hatchback. For all you senior citizens, we know nothing approaching the accolades and starry-eyed attention given us as we drive up in a red Honda. Even the grandchildren are dazzled. After Helen's recovery from several-times-postponed surgery, a partial thyroidectomy, there was a fine family reunion at son Timothy's home in Auburn. In the fall lesions on Rollin's back were diagnosed as shingles. Fortunately he did not suffer excruciating pain so, despite periods of discomfort, he was able to accept preaching assignments and to harvest bumper crops from our garden and orchard." ...Mil and **Fen Buffum** report that their daughter, Dr. Molly Turlish '64, is now director of development at the University of Maine in Farmington. She and her husband live in Lewiston, where he is a professor at Bates College. Their older daughter, Cora, finds the ivied walls of Princeton the perfect place to enjoy life as a junior majoring in English. Last spring Cora produced a student-directed performance for sophomore weekend. Her sister, Hannah, a sophomore at the University of North Carolina, swims for the Carolina Blue and continues to set both UNC and ACC records. She was invited to try out for the Olympic swim team last summer and, although she did not qualify, she found the experience well worth the rigid training schedule. Daughter Barbara is in charge of both boys' and girls' track and cross country teams at Islip High School, and for the first time Islip was invited to participate in the Penn Relays. Barbara's son, Erik, Jr., spent the winter as a ski instructor at Stratton Ski Resort in Vermont; he planned to reenter the academic world in the fall. His sister, Elizabeth, a graduating high school senior, aspires to be a physical therapist. The Buffum stable now consists of three mares, a yearling, and two 1988 foals. The hero of the barnyard, "Big Red," an ancient Shetland, "departed last summer for that big meadow in the sky." ...**Freddie Bryant** is now working as counsel to his old law firm but he's taking things a lot easier and "enjoying the selective idleness of retirement." ...The **Richard Allens** are still reliving their Middlebury Alumni Grand Tour of Alaska last year with professor Bob Churchill and his wife as leaders and about 20 Middlebury graduates of all classes as eager followers. They went by plane to Anchorage, Katzebue, and Nome; then by Alaska Railroad to Denali (the entrance to McKinley National Park) and on to Fairbanks; by plane to Juneau; then four days and nights on the *SS Rotterdam* to Vancouver via Sitka, Glacier Bay, and the Inner Passage; finally by bus to Seattle and plane back to Boston. There were guided tours at each stop. The weather was perfect and they had clear views of Mt. McKinley from Denali, which is a rare occurrence. "The whole trip was an awesome experience." Having retired as Framingham Town Moderator after ten years of service and one year as president of the Massachusetts Moderators, Dick has now volunteered to help in the Adult Illiteracy Program, while Helen continues her usual activities with the church, League of Women Voters, and the six grandchildren. Their oldest grandchild, Kate, a student at the University of Rochester, was spending part of her junior year in London.

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Class Secretaries: *Miss Elizabeth French, 765 Union Ave., #406, Lakeport Square, Laconia, NH 03246, and Douglas E. Howie, P.O. Box 635, Walpole, NH 03608.*

Margaret Smith Trasher was looking forward to our reunion which coincides with daughter Carolyn's (Thrasher Weh '59) 30th Reunion. She writes, "My young folks have been so great to me. They have taken me on trips to ease the loneliness. Spent Thanksgiving with Douglas and family and with Richard and his family for Christmas. Also, my son-in-law is great to me and both daughters-in-law couldn't be nicer. I am so lucky." ...It is nice to hear from **Leonard J. Snow** again: "Things are real good here at our house. Deline and I are in good health and thoroughly enjoying life at 75 and 77. Had to quit hustling firewood because my shed and backyard were loaded and I was cutting faster than burning. Still walking a lot, play some golf, and spend a lot of time with my 4-year-old grandson, Angie." He still keeps in touch with his roommate, **Francis B. Sprague**. We are sorry to hear that Fran had a health setback in the past year. Len and Fran "had such a terrific time singing in the Chapel Choir at the 50th Reunion." ...**Dorothy Wunner Woodward** comments about this weird winter which couldn't seem to make up it's mind to be cold or mild. Confusing. Dottie says "the holidays were quiet here. The kids came for Christmas dinners but Margot never did get down. I still have a batch of cookies I expected them to take home. I've been busy with the Historical Society, but the old furnace conked out and we refuse to work without heat." Can't say as we blame you for that, Dottie. ...**Elizabeth Brown Hoffmann** calls this a Transcendental Poem "B":

The winter wind whistles
Through leafless trees
And the cloud banks gather
Their backs to the breeze.

...**Thelma Craft Fisher** sends greetings from Whidbey Island. She says there is not much change to report in her lifestyle. She still plays bridge, does a little volunteer work, but seldom leaves the island. "Chris spent a week with me and we packed a lot into that time, including considerable shopping, which I seldom do except when I am with her. She tries to modernize me. Finally I have a microwave oven and a VCR, both of which I enjoy very much. I am still not ready for a computer." At times she will do some baking, for her goodies are always welcome at the church bazaar and other fund-raising projects. She says "the most enjoyable part for me is the greetings from my friends." A truism many of us appreciate. ...We heard from **E. Leslie** and **Sands Burchard Robart**. Sandy says "they tell me to stay well and keep snapping. It will keep you young! Oh yeah?" Les is not driving these days so Sandy keeps on running. She says they so enjoy Scott's Nicholas from next door across the river. "It's fun to watch this child from one week to the next week." ...**Winifred W. Bland** was searching for something "news worthy" to say and came up with a "zip—zoom—nothing!" That's the trouble with us old folks. We just can't seem to make it any more. So many years between meetings, but the heart pays no attention. Winnie says "Please remember, I do love you all." ...**Travis E.** and Margaret Leach '36 **Harris** spent the winter months in Myrtle Beach, S.C., again. This was their 10th winter there and they enjoy it a great deal. The weather is not what you get in Florida but quite mild when compared to Lincoln, Vt., in the winter. Trav says, "It is pleasant this time of the year. There are no crowds, we walk the beaches, the nearby state parks, and especially Brookgreen Gardens, an historical landmark and one of the unique places in the world. We sing in the local Methodist church choir, a church which has about 950 in attendance each Sunday." ...**Andrew W.** and **Eleanor Orde Reid** share with us an interesting experience. Eleanor arose one morning to see just outside her window 14 wild turkeys. She says "through the summer we had two flocks, 48 birds in all. When the hunting season started, they disappeared. Now they are back—handsome birds they are and it is quite strange to see them so close." It is apparent these native birds are making quite a comeback in New England. And we guess they are not so dumb either. ...On a lovely Sunday afternoon we (the **Howies**) were pleased to have a visit by Polly and **Lester H. Lovell**. Les is enjoying his retirement and Polly is as chipper as ever in spite of heart surgery not so long ago and the prospect of additional surgery for gall bladder problems in the near future. They were still hoping to make reunion. ...The place Robert and **Margery Plue Young** rent in Delray, Fla., was available a month earlier than expected so they left Vermont December 1. "Car trouble over a weekend and several visits later we arrived here December 11." A letter she had received from **Clare Walker Earl** suggested that Clare might change her mind about the 55th, depending on a friend in Massachusetts. ...**Nelda Filippone Alleva** writes "Thanks to the magic of your class notes in the winter 1988 issue of *Middlebury Magazine*, I received from **Mary Hall Howes** her account of 'First

Ladies from Ashfield's History' and also her 'Country Legacy.' Reading them along with your letter which arrived on December 31 with ineffable pleasure, I enjoyed saying farewell to the old year and welcoming 1989. So much goodness from Mary P's writings which reflects her innate spirituality." Thank you, Nelda, for sharing your thoughts with us. Nelda says she is a strange mixture of "hyper" and "hypo." The cards sublime/ and so's the rhyme/ We love the dame/Betty, of course, not Mame. ...So be it!

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Class Secretaries: *Avis E. Fischer, 6438 Sunset Drive, Frederick, MD 21701, and W. Wyman Smith, 325 College St., Burlington, VT 05401.*

You should know that class notes are turned in about three months before publication, so these were submitted March 1. **Avis Fischer** has gone to the Caribbean, leaving **Wyman Smith** alone to tend the store. The inevitable process of getting older continues; it has been rightly said that "growing older is not for sissies." But one persists, if for no other reason than to continue to outlive one's critics and to see what news the morning paper will bring. ...**Bob Stafford** continues to get more news coverage than all the rest of us combined. However, with that wonderful and well-deserved tribute to him in the winter issue, there isn't anything new to report. One comment in that article raised curiosity. Bob said his only political defeat was "when he was dumped in his bid to become president of Middlebury's class of 1935." Which year was that, Bob? I find that our class presidents were as follows: **George Abbott**, freshman year; **Harry Emmons**, sophomore year; **Wally Boehm**, junior year; and **Phil Mathewson**, senior year. ...**Doris Tucker Kniskern** reminds us that our 55th is only a year away, so start planning and putting aside some of that social security money for the get-together. ...The **Boehms** spent the winter months again at Marco Island. ...**Charlie Kuster** reports nothing new beyond the excitement of having a grandson. ...In December, **Avis Fischer** had as guests a mother and a brother of a former AFS student. With them she did Washington, Gettysburg, Harpers Ferry, Disney World, Cape Canaveral, Charleston, and Savannah. She found New Bern, N.C., a former state capital much like Williamsburg. One of her guests was a vegetarian and she found the area from Maryland to Florida is no place for a vegetarian. It is no wonder she needed a rest in the Caribbean. ...Carroll and **Virginia Easler Wilson** have a granddaughter, Jennifer, going to the University of Tampa. Jennifer's grandmother thinks she is majoring in social life, but she seems to be doing well in her studies. The Wilsons were expecting to have their daughter and her family from New Hampshire with them in February. ...Hank '33 and **Louise Fleig Newman** had a fabulous trip of 17 days in October. They flew to Frankfurt, rented a car, and made their own itinerary. They stayed at Romantik Chain hotels which are independently owned and usually restored buildings of ancient vintage. The trip through Germany included a stop in Endigen, where Louise's father was born. Then they crossed into Switzerland and across Lake Constance to Austria. She enjoyed Rodental where the Hummel figurines are made. Her list of stops includes Wiesbaden, Heidelberg, Baden-Baden, the Black Forest, Freiburg, Ravensburg, the Tyrol, Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Salzburg, Berchtesgaden, Rammingen, Dinkelsbuhl, Feuchtwangen, Rothenburg, Bamburg, and Mainz. ...**Gertrude Knight Cleverdon** had her 50th anniversary last August, only a month prior to the death of her husband, David. All of the clan had gathered and are grateful to have had that final celebration. Gertrude has been writing two of the historical sketches for a Peterborough cook book. The "Our Town" cook book celebrates 250 years of cooking tradition to usher in Peterborough's 250th anniversary this year. It was featured in *Yankee Magazine* for April. ...**Marjorie McCann Hayne** reports that, to overcome boredom, she has taken a part-time job in a doctor's office. She works four afternoons a week and just loves it. She learns something new each day. ...**Tony Costaldo** reports his wife Marie had a pacemaker installed last October. Her condition has stabilized and they spent the months of January and February at Deerfield Beach, Fla. ...**Lucy Roberts** says no news, suggesting that she is sticking around the house. ...**Millie Aubrey Monagan** reported a quiet winter with no travel plans, except perhaps a trip to Montreal. Her husband, Walter, is having some walking problems. ...**Doris Hiller Lynch** spent Christmas week with son Jim and daughter Jane on Kiawak Island, S.C. ...**Betty Seaver Eichmann** has been busy in Nokomis, Fla., with her daughter and family visiting from Iowa. ...How many have had or are having their 50th anniversaries? Eric and **Doris Anderson Carlson** had theirs on December 29. Others include Grace and **Wyman Smith** on April 1 and Mary and **Wally Boehm** on June 10. The Carlsons' event was hosted by their son, Neal, and his wife, Melanie, with relatives from both sides as guests. ...**Billie Loomis Baseler** vacationed last summer, as usual, in Maine. She still plays tennis but says her game has deteriorated to the point where she "can't challenge my grandsons any longer." ...**Carl Calkins** is happy he "survived Middlebury for lo these many years." ...Joe and **Ruth Havard Okarski** were very pleased with their trip to Austria and Hungary. Last winter they went skiing in Oregon, a change from many years of going to Colorado. ...Since Reunion **Betty Brian Sheldon** has added "a new challenging volunteer job at Open Pantry where food and clothing are given out to the indigent and homeless." She serves breakfast and a hot meal at noon which "fortunately is brought in by volunteers. Otherwise, since I'm tired of cooking after 46 years of marriage, I'm afraid that I would not have found myself that charitable." Last year she saw **Louise Fulton Mapps**, Mavis Jones Little '36, and Matt '34 and **Jo Knox Divoll**. Betty and Ev have been to Nova Scotia as well as taking their annual trek to Florida. ...**Dottie Crowe Steele** says, "Our grandsons are now 13 and 17, while son George bewails the fact that he is in his forties!" ...**Jean Wiley Zwickel** had her 7th trip to Puerto Rico last summer. Now, after other trips to Israel, Japan, Cuba, and Nicaragua, she says "we feel content to sit by our wood burning stove. Days are chilly, even in California!" ...A letter from Wy Parker '34 describes a memorial fund established by Anne Lawing in honor of her aunt, **Lee Halpin**, and the long relationship of the Halpin family of the Middlebury area with the College. Tax-deductible contributions should be sent to Gordie Perine '49, Senior Development Officer, Middlebury. ...As to your secretary's news: Stimulated by the booklet **Wally Boehm** prepared for his family last year and by the course I took in "writing your own autobiography" at an elderhostel at Fordham University, I ventured the task. It gave me a chance to use my Panasonic word processor with its memory, speller, and printer. So I wrote 31 "tales" and had 69 pages of single-spaced writing bound into a spiral booklet. I made 8 copies for Christmas gifts for our three children and my five living siblings. None of my siblings has echoed a peep which seems strange. I had anticipated a lot of disagreement on my recollections and my analysis of our parents. It has been usual to have strong disagreements whenever we are together. Allyn White '33 was a house guest when I completed the tale of my first auto—a 1913 model T. It was Allyn who noted that there were three floor pedals in that car, rather than the two which I had remembered. On New Year's Eve we had a language teacher friend as a house guest. She stayed awake past midnight to read my tales. Over breakfast she reported that she had enjoyed them and had learned new things about me. But, she said, "You have grammar errors, you don't capitalize properly, and you have grossly misspelled that famous boulevard between Concord and the Arch in Paris in your tale on oil painting." But then my daughter keeps saying "Dad, you should have them published—you're a second E.B. White." I think I have a smart daughter. But then my wife, Grace, reminds me that I should be satisfied and proud of having performed the task and that the eight copies are unique and enough. If you have time on your hands, writing out some of your recollections might be most satisfying for you and a treasured product for your offspring. On this January day in Vermont with the challenge of snow and the need of a warm fire, I have just pulled down my copy (English translation) of R. Rolland's *Jean-Christophe*. It is a rereading after more than 40 years. It was then the best novel ever written. I will see whether it still is. How about dropping your secretary a note telling me your favorite and then adding some things that would spread out the news in the next column. ...We regret to report the deaths of **Dorothy Williams Powell, Anne Stark McManus**, and **Arthur Williams.** To all of their respective families and loved ones the Class of 1935 extends its deepest sympathy.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. James Cooper (Harmony Buell), 30 Glenwood Drive, Brewster, MA 02631, and Dr. Angus M. Brooks, Beaver Meadow Village, 21 Piscataqua Road, Concord, NH 03301.*

A gala celebration was held on New Year's Eve '88 in honor of the 50th wedding anniversary of **Howard** and Marjory Arnold '38 **Cady**. The celebration was hosted by the five Cady children in the Parish Hall of the First Congregational Church in Darien, Conn. Howard wrote a letter, conveying the pleasure that he and Marge experienced: "Our children did all the work and made all the arrangements for the celebration." He also let us know that Rita and **Dick Dempewolff** had made it all the way from Henryville, Pa. Dick wrote to inform us that "Some 28 relatives had overnighted at the Cady home; Rita and I did *not* stay there since we hadn't brought sleeping bags and there was no extra floor space anyway. We stayed at the home of a friend nearby. Other Middlebury people present included Russ and Em Barclay Jackson '38, and Nelson and Florence Overton Camp, both '38. Peter Cady '63 MC'd the affair and Polly presented his parents with an album put together by Anne Cady Jackson '73 from assorted 'old days' pictures, letters, clippings, and other memorabilia sent her by the many friends of Howard and Marge. In familiar Cady fashion he amused the gathering by reading funny, embarrassing, or otherwise interesting excerpts from the album." Dick also reports some magazine writing in the works. He and Rita were planning to be off to Scandinavia and North Cape for a month or so. ...While looking out the window on a snowless January evening, with no prospects of skiing, it was

pleasant to talk with **Ed Howard**, just in from golf with **Ruth (McNulty)**, under blue skies with warm weather! He is well and, remembering skiing at Middlebury, he reported new-fallen powder snow in Idaho—two feet of it. He skied infrequently after transferring to Holy Cross, but did get out at Middlebury, "whenever I came back to visit Ruth." Ed has been treasurer of a large 300+ men's club which allows time in the summer for them to escape the Arizona heat—last year in Montana and this summer in Salt Lake City. For Christmas they met their children and two granddaughters in Cleveland. They both enjoyed being on campus for the 50th Reunion. Ed says he "will always feel loyalty to Middlebury." ...**Bud Kirwin** is now completely retired after 10 pleasant years of tapering down from his long-time career with the sand, gravel, and crushed rock industry. Having lived in Utica for many years, he and Phyllis recently built a new home in Skaneateles, N.Y., where their daughter and family live. "We are well—but our new house is planned with space enough for wheel chairs to get through all the doors if need be, later on." One son (with a Ph.D. in art history) lives in Toronto, teaching at Guelf University. Another son once said, "No more school." He is a successful fisherman, oysterman, and builder, having built his own boat and recently a guest house for Jackie Kennedy on Martha's Vineyard. Pamela in Skaneateles is studying international law. Bud and Phyllis were sorry to learn of the death of **Bill Dawes**' wife, Katie. A Christmas card from the **Hoxies** brought them good news of **Elwood**'s return to health. At the time of their January communication from Skaneateles they were, unlike Arizona, having a blizzard with six inches of very welcome snow. ...**Don Easler** writes from Florida, "It is very restful here as I sit writing to you, looking at the lake and seeing the egrets, ibis, blue herons, Florida storks, ducks, and terns. I have started to write several times since our 50th but after a few lines my back and legs hurt so much, I just quit." Prior to five hours of massive surgery on his back last year, he had been very active with golf, boating, and fishing. In August of '87 Don and **Carol (Wheeler)** had a large family gathering for their 50th wedding anniversary. Two of their three sons were there, his sister Ginny Easler Wilson '35 with husband Carroll, Carol's sister Winifred, and 9 of their 11 grandchildren. "A pontoon boat took the whole group next day to an unoccupied island. Fun!" Recently, he and Carol took a "trip of one's lifetime"—an airboat and tram ride in the Everglades National Park." Fortunately he is now well enough again to play golf. The Easlers play together and Carol also enjoys her art work. Don says she does well at both. He is president of New England golfers at Sun City Center and on a committee (past captain) of golfing tournaments sometimes involving 520 golfers on the same day. He closes with thoughts about our 50th: "I want you to know how proud I am of my Class of 1936. I marvel at how well our classmates looked physically, and how with it and alert they are mentally." ...**Bill Carter** reports much better health than last year, now being able to read more, walk a good deal, and even drive his car occasionally. He and Harriet are looking forward to visiting the Trapp Family Lodge on the slopes of Mount Mansfield in Stowe again this summer for a time-shared week in one of their Austrian-style guest houses. There is a good resident naturalist there who makes hiking along their extensive trail system very interesting. Looking back at his Middlebury years, Bill wishes he had taken more science courses—physics and biology, along with chemistry, and the geology he took with Professor Schmidt. Perhaps the weekend rambles with the Mountain Club and the mineralogy field trips of those days are related somehow to his being so over-subscribed with ecological and environmental magazines today. In his reunion autobiography, Bill spoke of January study tours of "Literary and Academic England," including concerts and theater. Happily, he and Harriet plan soon to be in London for a busy week, including museums, a night with the London Symphony, and five evenings of great theater. We missed Bill at the 50th Reunion and hope that he and Harriet can return for the 55th. ...**George Deming** writes that he and Sheila are well except for a painful and disabling toe. "Right now my shop work is at a low point due to weather and continued distraction from my toe which has dragged on, but now seems to have been conquered with massive therapy." Christmas was "gala" with all their family and "nary a sniffle." He hopes to be in New England this summer, "so as to coincide with one of the now famous class get-togethers." He adds that the annual fund drive for our class is somewhat ahead of last year. Too seldom we remember to thank George and **Fran Wilkinson Russ** for the fund raising that goes on, unsung—except that we know Middlebury is a better place for their efforts. ...After **Martin Tierney** retired from his presidency of Rubicon Chemicals in Baton Rouge and the children (3) were long-since scattered, wife Karline continued her studies at L.S.U. in environmental engineering. "Somewhere along the way she asked me, if she got a good position, would I move? I lightly said, 'Sure,' not really expecting such an eventuality. She was offered a fine position as environmental manager at the Ciba-Geigy headquarters in Ardsley, N.Y."—hence their move from Louisiana to Ridgefield (near Ardsley) in 1984. Martin now keeps his body nimble playing tennis 3-4 times a week. At L.S.U. he kept his mind nimble by studying for his M.S. in German and math. Now at U. Conn., he is studying advanced math (advanced abstract algebra). The Tierneys have traveled a lot. Says Martin, "My experience as a student in Germany (shades of Prof. Neuse who arranged my German exchange) led to handling negotiations with foreign firms. My travels took me to Europe 50-60 times. Karline now travels around the country with her work and I go with her now and then. We went to Russia in 1981 because so much of Russian history and culture is tied to winter. We damn near froze to death. She was there again in 1984 as a director of the board of American University Women. Come this May we hope to be on the Siberian Express traveling by rail east from Moscow for several days, returning later by air." ...For the 50th reunion of the class of '32 at Dartmouth, several men wrote about their experiences and philosophies. Carlos Baker, who taught at Princeton and was one of the leading Hemingway scholars in the country, speaking of endurance, made an interesting reference to Doc Cook '24 and Robert Frost: "Frost faced the long haul and advises us to face it with a sanguine spirit. 'Will, resourcefulness, and ingenuity,' writes Cook, 'are the keywords to his vision.'" Speaking of one's pride of knowledge, Baker continues, "Robert Frost was good at deflating banality. R.L. Cook tells a story about a pushy reporter who asked Frost the silly question of what had most influenced his life. 'When I was twelve,' said Frost, 'I worked in a little shoe shop and all summer I carried nails in my mouth. I owe everything to the fact that I neither swallowed nor inhaled.'" An old anecdote perhaps for you who were with Doc Cook. And yet, tongue in cheek, the episode does speak for will, resourcefulness, ingenuity, *and* endurance for the long haul! ...**Barbara Warner Barry** spent twelve delightful days last October in London, visiting her son, Michael, and his family. Michael's U.S. government job has stationed him there for two years in an elegant town house, completely furnished for them. Barbara says they have to do a lot of entertaining and seem to be enjoying it. They all walked and rode the underground all over London. Son Mike at that time was still uneasy about driving his car in busy old London town. ...**Barbara Wishart Erickson** regrets she was unable to attend the mini-reunion last fall, but heard about it from **Mary Williams Brackett**. Barbara, Mary, and Louise Brayton Kline '32 had lunch together in December. Barbara spends a day a week volunteering at Stamford Hospital where she visits with cancer patients and their families, a most rewarding experience. ...There weren't any earth-shattering events to report from her area this past year, according to **Melba Spaulding Lombard**, except for a few problems we might rather not hear about but will be told anyway. It seems that a tornado in July wiped out about 30 of their huge pine trees involving a costly clear-up. Then, since the well-valve was on the fritz, there was no water in the house. While in the process of installing a new well, the drainage system from the basement messed up, sooooo—too much water in the cellar. After a while, Melb says she finally uncrossed her fingers. George is working many hours these days and Melba keeps busy. They are both well and still happy to have removed to the wilds of Maine. ...Both Melba and **Mary Dansereau Howard** wrote of the visit Mary and Carl paid to the Lombards last August and what mutual pleasure it was catching up on news during a long summer afternoon. Mary reported in February that Carl had recently had the second of two hernia operations and was recovering nicely. Before that there was a family reunion to celebrate Carl's 80th birthday, with daughter Frances coming from California for the occasion. Last July, Mary and Carl attended the Lion's Club International Convention in Denver, Colo. (Carl is president of the local Lion's Club this year.) In spite of rather negative expectations they actually found all the hoopla quite interesting and even inspiring at times. Mary says her music continues to give pleasure as well as new friends. "My work as a literacy volunteer satisfies my urge to teach somebody something." Occasionally, daughter Charlotte, son Doug and his wife, Andrea, come for a weekend, keeping them energized and in touch with the world at large. Granddaughter Charlotte is laboring over her dissertation for a doctorate in English lit at Amherst. ...After attending Don's 50th Reunion at Midd last spring, **Bets Laws Westin** and Don went to the mountains of North Carolina to enjoy a Westin family reunion. Thirty-five Westins were there, from ages 2 to 85, for a whole week. Bedlam, but fun, says Bets. ...**Ginny Phillips Whitney** writes that all of her family were together at daughter Pat's home in Rockport, Maine. Grandson Tim didn't want to take a chance on Santa's finding him away from his home. Ginny had a short trip to Albuquerque in October and got to Santa Fe and Taos also. ...Armie and **Eleanore Cobb Lee** lead a quiet life, so she says in a recent letter. She uses a cane and has poor locomotion, but she reads a lot and betwixt times tussles with her new electric typewriter which moves with the speed of light and seems, all by itself, to strike the wrong keys. She recently read Thackeray's *Henry Esmond* and wondered why. "One book I thought wonderful, though, is *A Bonfire of the Vanities*, which I inhaled some time back. A real zinger. It is monumental and you really need to repair to a desert island to do it justice." They visited their eighth grandchild, Sophia (age 1), in California last year. Daughter Rebecca in Vermont is selling the World Book like blazes, while her husband's shop "The Turk" is faring better than last year. Ruggie wishes that, at age 21, all children miraculously became 1) firmly

and happily married forever, 2) financially successful, and 3) perfectly healthy. ...**Maggie Leach Harris** mailed a card filling us in on some of their winter news from Myrtle Beach, S.C., where she and Travis '34 had seen **Louise Hutchinson** several times and had dinner together. Trav and Maggie were off to Mt. Dora, Fla., to visit her brother. ...**Louise Hutchinson** says that while in Myrtle Beach, Maggie and Travis sing in the choir of the church that she also attends. Louise finds life enjoyable at her motel winter vacation spot, with lots of planned activities provided, and a golf course and heated indoor pool. Those oyster roasts sound mouth-watering! ...For Chuck and **Ginny Rich Woodman**, the summer of '88 was one of welcoming various parts of their Colorado family to Frederick, Md. Says Ginny, "We gave them exactly what Coloradans expect from the East, large doses of heat and humidity. Took Kim (16) up to the Big Apple for a whirlwind tour and found that I could still face the Empire State Building and still trek along 5th Ave., thanks to Reeboks, but don't ask me to ride in many more taxis zooming down 5th or anyplace." Son Chris, his wife Jan, and her two boys visited them in August, and there was more heavy-duty sightseeing, mainly D.C. this time. Baseball mitts and hermit crabs (with the necessary bucket of white sand from Ocean City) dominated the scene. "Ah boys, they *are* different!" Unhappily, Chuck had to have his horse put down and was desolate until he found some people who needed mid-week willing hands to exercise their mounts. He found it beats taking on full responsibility. Ginny says she feels less efficient with each year, but doubts it should be a cause for concern. After all, Grandma just sat and rocked and doled out peppermint candies. We should add that many of Ginny's days—which, added up, amount to weeks—are spent going to and from Ridgewood, N.J., where her 82-year-old sister still lives, with live-in help, and that takes a bit of monitoring from their end. ...**Harmony Buell Cooper** sends her grateful appreciation for the heartwarming messages from classmates after Jim's death in December. She recently returned from a four-week visit with her mother and sisters in Sarasota, Fla., and ten days in Laurinburg, N.C., with Jim's sister and her husband. The trip home by Amtrak was great for anyone who prefers to look at earth from the bottom-side up and not the top-side down.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Harry K. Hopkins (Barbara Gregory), 1021 W. Devonshire Road, Delafield, WI 53018, and Pierce G. Couperus, RR 2, Box 950, Shaker Road, New London, NH 03257.*

As you know, Barbara and I (**Mel Couperus**) take turns soliciting news by contacting 25 percent of the class for an issue. Believe it or not, I just solicited the same people that Barb had contacted last time. I have corrected my error by contacting another 25 percent, but some of you must have wondered a bit. Water over the dam! ...**Marion Gerling Church** has had a hard time with arthritis which is the reason that she didn't make our 50th. She received write-ups describing "every minute of the three days," as well as the menus, activities, etc., and she said she "devoured" the whole package as if she had really been there. She loves playing bridge three times a week. We all have an invite to stop by Marion's cottage on Great Scanandaga Lake or at her home on Rt. 9 below Glens Falls, N.Y. (telephone 518-792-7309). ...Your secretary got just a tad jealous when he read about **Phil Brown** who winters in Estero, Fla., and summers in Rhode Island. Sounds like a good existence. He has had a cataract and disc surgery, but all is now going smoothly. Phil's son, Rich, and his wife, Linda, were "professional gold diggers" in California during the fall. Phil gets quite a thrill out of the whole idea. ...**Caroline Elliot Dorst** keeps young people in her life by taking on new piano students. She keeps on with the Choral Union at U. Lowell and plays piano programs in the general area of central New Hampshire. ...This year **Ramona Ford Emery** traveled to visit her son and family and then continued to Juneau, Alaska, where her husband Oscar took a picture of the capital—completing his project of taking pictures of all fifty capitals. ...Our former secretary, **Gertrude (Trudie) Dole** remains busy writing and going to monthly meetings of an ecology seminar, a geography society, and the New York Academy of Sciences. She does this to stay in touch with colleagues and with academia. The work those people do is very interesting to Trudie. She didn't get to Midd in the spring of 1988, but plans to try to get up in 1989. ...**William Craig** left Monterey Institute of International Studies in June of 1987 and is now the director of the U.S. International University in the United Kingdom (USIU-Europe/The Avenue, Bushey Hertfordshire WD 22 Ln, United Kingdom). ...**Marjorie Bulkely Garwood** indicated that she "hardly knows what's newsworthy" and then proceeded to write a note that is full of interesting news. Marge travels around to remains of ships that her husband served on over thirty years. She has seen the St. Louis Arch, Harry Truman Library, Mark Twain's home, and Werner von Braun's place in Huntsville, Alabama. She blew $5.00 on nickel slots in Las Vegas and attended a broadcast of the Mormon Tabernacle Choir. Volunteer work at two libraries and her reading and crossword puzzles keep her out of trouble. ...**Walter Brooker** reports that he has "two possible items on himself." The first predicts an operation to correct an arthritic hip which he came down with this past fall. Walt admits to "dreadful golf" and to the necessity of being strong enough to carry Jack Kirk '39 at the Alumni Tournament, but frankly it is dubious that an operation would cure or help either problem. The second item was a trip he and Bobbie (Carrick Brooker '40) took to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. The "old codger" (his words, not mine!) went to the Island of Bali for a romantic anniversary. They flew to Hong Kong and went by boat to Koahsung, Taiwan, Manila in the Philippines, Sandakan Borneo, Bali, Semarang, and Java, ending up in Singapore. Walt is plugging a book that **Frank Piskor** has co-authored, *The Windows of Gunnison Memorial Chapel*. It is available at St. Lawrence University Book Store, Canton, NY 13617. ...**Isabel Ingham Baumgartner** says that since the death of her husband, Louis, in June of 1988, she has been buddying around with two church friends who also lost their spouses in the summer. The three of them left on February 8, 1989, for three weeks in the Southwest, touring and attending Elderhostels in Texas and New Mexico. ...**Elizabeth Van Artsdalen MacArthur** reminded me of the reunion at her place in November, as reported before, and added that she spent Christmas in Jacksonville, Fla., with her sister, brother-in-law, and family. ...Although **Doris Cutting** considered her comments mere "prattle," quite the opposite was true! She talked about her mother who had celebrated her 100th birthday and about first-hand reports of the reunion from **Doris Ryan Pitcher, Marge Fielden Kimball**, and **Cay Branch Frasure**. ...**Sue Hathaway Hopper** responded to **Barbara Gregory Hopkins**' solicitation for news last issue, but was good enough to send me more for my attempt this time. Sue and Ken were going to join friends from Boston in Bermuda in January, and we hope they had a wonderful time. They were looking forward to seeing many classmates at a maxi-mini reunion, arranged by **Lois Bestor Craig** at Reunion '89. ...**Paul Foster**, a consulting geologist, has six grandchildren divided up equally between one son and one daughter. Paul and Audrey were married 50 years in December 1988. He remains busy at the office seven days a week engaged in the petroleum exploration business, with emphasis on looking for gas for the future. Paul has an honorary life membership in the Dallas Geological Society. He and Audrey walk every morning, rain or shine, and they sound very happy. ...**Doris Downing Daley** has been busy since our 50th overseeing the care of her 95-year-old mother and 97-year-old father. She is also active in several organizations and enjoys playing bridge. One son and family live in Pittsburgh; her younger son lives about 40 miles from her home. Four grandchildren are very special to her. Travel is important to her, with Europe the target. A visit with **Dottie Mathison Scott** on the Cape and seeing old friends at the reunion added joy to Doris' life. ...**Nat Groby** writes his usual interesting *note*. His P.S. says, "The secret of good letter writing is to use short, punchy sentences, n'est-ce pas!" I agree but sure wish Nat would give us more about life in France. He did send a snippet from an article he found re a study of liberal arts colleges in the U.S. in which Midd ranked 4th among colleges accepting fewer than half of their applicants and whose students average at least 1200 on SATs. ...**Dick Lucas** left Homecoming '88 on Saturday a.m. because wife Marion was driving and the weather was bad. He therefore missed the ceremony where **F.P. Piskor** was honored. On January 1, Dick and Marion left for Myrtle Beach, S.C. He didn't say for how long. Hope he will write again! ...**Joyce W. Kingsley**, M.D., listed what he called the "3G's" 1. Grandchildren—12, ages 23-3, most of whom he sees weekly. 2. Garden—below par in '88 due to dry, hot weather. 3. Golf—Joyce figures he drove nearly 3,000 miles to play, and walked 450 miles following a very erratic course. Joyce regrets not having been to Vermont since '86. ...**Marshal Sewell** received New Jersey's "Outstanding Fundraiser of the Year" award at the State Conference on Philanthrophy recently. Also, a national magazine, *Fund Raising Management*, published Marshall's article "Retired Power: Putting it to Work." He wants non-profit groups to recognize the "unique knowledge" and capabilities of senior volunteers and part-time workers. More power to Marshall! "Envelope stuffing" isn't enough! ...As reported in the last notes, **Marion Perkins Hackett** went to Florida for a few months and was then heading to Lake Champlain. She is on the tennis court every day and enjoys duplicate as well. Stopping teaching has freed her to do many things she didn't have time for before. Marion was hoping to be at our June '89 reunion. ...**Ruth Van Sickle Dyer** reports on a trip last fall to East Lansing, Mich., to go to a football game between Rutgers (winner) and Michigan State. She recently took another course in philosophy at Montclair State and "keeps moving," taking care of a 3-1/2-year-old grandson two days a week. Ruth wants us all to consider informal reunions every two years, which seems to coincide with **Lois Craig's** thinking, I believe. ...**Carol Bloom Chalmers** attended our 50th and then, the following year, she and her sister attended Johnnie's 50th at Midd. They both enjoyed all the "hoopla." Early in June they went on a four-month "R&R" holiday that started in England and was "perfect." Their self-imposed rules were lax and they could relax. After turning the rented car in at the end of August, they flew from London to Bergen and took a steamer up the coast of Norway to within five

miles of the Russian border. There was a proposed trip to California in April and a trip to Midd was contemplated for May. ...**Ken MacFadyen** continues his oil painting and was planning a visit to Eleanor Akley in Venice, Fla., in late March or early April. ...Christmas was just great for **Barb Gregory Hopkins** with her with two little grandchildren. She is looking forward to many more. New Year's weekend saw Barb up in the north woods, but with warm fireplaces and good friends, the cold didn't bother them. ...**Juno Jones Corbett** reports that she has moved into a second-floor condo in Venice, Fla. The brightness due to windows and a huge porch make the place great. She is "busy as a beaver" in her hospital auxiliary. Juno and Ross recently attended two christenings, one for a granddaughter and one for Ross' great-grandson. A 10,000-mile motor home trip this year took them to Kentucky, springtime in the Smokies, camping in the Poconos, and a tour of Quebec and the Thousand Islands. This summer, they expected to tour the Maritimes and, hopefully, Newfoundland and Labrador. ...**Herb** and Ginny Fisher '38 **Ellison** enjoy living in their retirement place—Wood River Village, in Bucks County, Pa. It seems "semi-tropical" compared to 40 years near Syracuse, N.Y. They are involved in an exciting range of activities doing volunteer work with many new friends. Herb joined an investment club which is a good social group. A splinter group of this club invests in order to make money ("less than a fortune"). Work on a committee to select a new police chief has taken some of Herb's time. He has also been giving help to residents who have had financial reverses. Suggestions from **Walt Brooker** and **Marshall Sewell** have been helpful. Both Ginny and Herb now appreciate the close availability of shopping malls as compared to where they were in New York. Herb will send info about lifecare retirement to any one requesting it from him and/or will discuss it during their next visit to Midd. The Ellisons think of their place in Bensalem, Pa., as a "halfway house" from North to South and vice versa. Classmates and others are welcome. ...The *Keene Sentinel* in New Hampshire reported last January that the Rev. **Loring D. Chase** had been appointed one of two interim pastors at Keene's United Church of Christ. Chuck is in charge of hospital visitation and Bible studies, as well as preaching once a month. He himself writes, "Since moving to Keene over a year ago, Helene and I have been enjoying the sporting life, too, with bowling, golf, and bridge. We go south for the summer—a half hour's drive to our cottage in Northfield, Mass.—and make occasional off-season trips there to restock our firewood supply. It's great to be back in New England, and within reasonable reach of Middlebury." ...**Margaret Scherholz Delfausse** claims that she has been "living vicariously" through her daughter, Abby '72, who was an ambassador to the Soviet ski team at the World Alpine races for two weeks, but Sherry is also a professional fundraiser for the American Cancer Society. Moving to Aspen in April 1988 was a kind of homecoming: she had spent 2 1/2 years there during World War II when Pierre was in the 10th Mountain Division. In addition to her work, Sherry is busy as a volunteer, serving on the board of the Aspen Writers' Conference, and involved with Aspen's Sister Cities program. If that's not enough, she works one day a week at the Glenwood Springs library. Sherry enjoys contact with Middlebury people in Aspen; she had the pleasure to sit with President and Mrs. Robison last August at a symposium by John Denver, and she describes parents of current Midd students as "always ecstatic." In the small world department, Sherry writes that a fellow member of the Writers' Conference board is Miggs Dunnance, wife of Dick Dunnance, Dartmouth '39, who came to Middlebury's Winter Carnival in 1935. "All of us in Hillside had dates with members of the Dartmouth team—small wonder! Their coach, Otto Schiviess, gave ski lessons on Chapel Hill—10 lessons for $10!!"

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Herbert Ellison (Virginia Fischer), Wood River Village, 3200 Bensalem Blvd., #C102, Bensalem, PA 19020, and Bruce Brown, RD 2, Box 167, Hamilton, NY 13346.*

A mini-reunion was held last fall on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of **Jidge Howe Hay's** family store in Wilmington, Vt. Fred and **Janie Abbott Barry**, **Becki Abbott Brooks**, and Joe and **Jo Minder Hoptay** all had a chance to visit with Jidge and Horace and meet some of their children. A photo exhibit of the store's history showed two disasters the family had lived through—destruction by fire and flooding by the '38 hurricane. Each time they started over and are still going strong. ...Over thanksgiving Helen and **Herm Benner** went to Williamsburg, Va., for a family reunion and had a glorious time, together with 30 family members. After Christmas they went to San Francisco to spend a "shirt sleeve two weeks" with daughter Roslyn and family. Herm had been a chaplain at Letterman General Hospital after WW II and lived in "one of America's best kept secrets—gorgeous Saint Francis Woods, San Francisco." ...In October Henry and **Anne Sargent Clark** toured the national parks in Colorado where they met many interesting people and learned a lot about cliff dwellers. Daughter Nancy and family spent a week with Anne in Florida in February. She hoped to see Bennett and **Louise Hoyt Short** then also. Anne wrote that **Val Halligan Boehm** vacationed at Marco Island with Dr. Walter '35 and Mary Boehm. ...Howard '36 and **Marjory Arnold Cady** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in Darien, Conn., on December 31. For further news of the celebration, see the Class of '36 notes. ...**Becki Abbott Brooks** and **Phyl Malcolm Mithassel** spent a week gadding in early February. Becky also expected to see **Jim** and **Florence Hulme Miner**. ...In between bridge tournaments, **Betty Reynolds Baker** enjoys visiting her family. In February she took a trip to visit one of her daughters. ...Bob and **Bertha Strait Moseley** celebrated Bob's 50th high school reunion and, of course, Betty's 50th Reunion at Midd. Then Bob went to Europe on a mission for his WW II outfit. Next trip was to Omaha, followed by a cross-Canada train tour, and finally a winter move to Florida after the first of the year. Whew. ...Barbara and **Allison Beebe** now divide their year between Vermont and Florida. Winter address is 972 Bird Bay Way, Venice, FL 34292. ...Still going strong, **Paul Buskey** had "a reasonably good tennis year; got to quarter finals where we lost to Bobby Riggs and Ed Doane who won the tournament; will get high Southern California ranking." Whew again! He recently finished running a super-senior heart tournament where the oldest man was 85 and the oldest woman was 80. "They play very good tennis too." He also had a wonderful Christmas in Seattle with his daughter Penny and family. ...**Madeline Buttles** wrote that she expected to spend March in Florida where she would be in contact with **Betty Strait Moseley** and **Ruth Sheldon Pratt**. Hope all worked out as planned. ...We received a rave review of **Emory Hebard**'s work in the Vermont state legislature and as State Treasurer managing the state's money: "He graced the Republican Party and state government by his presence. His departure leaves an empty place Vermont is unlikely to fill." You can read the whole editorial in the *Burlington* (Vt.) *Free Press* for Saturday, December 24, 1988. Congratulations to Em. ...Your secretaries had a wonderful letter from **Ralph Campagna** describing life in Tours, France, at a wonderful hotel, the Jean Bardet, a renovated mansion overlooking the Loire. He and his wife also toured Brittany and Normandy, racking up about 4,400 kilometers on the trip. On return they spent a delightful weekend visiting **Sherb** and Marjorie Kohr '39 **Lovell** in Vermont. Now Ralph is hard at work getting his new hearing aid manufacturing business in shape in Central Village, Conn. ...A great, newsy letter from **Tannie Tuthill Cartwright** described a wonderful family Christmas in her motorhome and on her houseboat. Cruised up to a favorite anchoring spot north of Palm Beach where they had a ball with rafts and swimming in the ocean: "a very different Christmas holiday from those enjoyed by our friends and relatives, I'm sure." ...Helen and **Bruce Brown** greatly enjoyed a rail trip in Switzerland. They also went to Colorado in December to babysit a grandson while mother and father were at a conference. In February they spent two fabulous weeks in Costa Rica on a nature trip, and in late March they were back in Colorado for a week plus. ...Health problems have plagued Herb '37 and **Ginny Fischer Ellison**, but they did manage a great Christmas with son, daughter, and grandchildren. High spot was watching a re-enactment of Washington crossing the Delaware at Washington Crossing in Bucks County, complete with barges, costumes, and a speech by George to spur on the troops. ...**Everett "Joe" Allen** has recorded a video version of his 1976 best seller *A Wind to Shake the World*, the story of the 1938 hurricane. The video has been nominated for a national cable TV award. The book itself, published by Little, Brown, went into the 7th printing acknowledging the 50th anniversary of the hurricane. This summer Joe and Phyllis will celebrate their 50th anniversary and in October they plan a trip to Japan. ...**Jack Cridland** was hoping to continue skiing into July! He is having a wonderful time flying, mostly solo, all around the Northeast, "sharpening my navigator skills, aircraftsmanship, and communication with satisfaction of the inner man," as well as visiting the best airport restaurants. Jack says he advises young people to take up the flying sport early and "not to wait until age 69 to climb into the student pilot's seat of an airplane," as he did. Jack also teaches first aid courses and trains members of various safety services and those who would be members of volunteer ambulance corps, rescue squads, and ski patrols. ...A letter just in from **Helene Cosenza Chase** talks of a great mini-reunion over President's Day at her home with **Nelson** and **Polly Overton Camp,** and Fred and **Jane Abbott Barry**. The Camps and the Chases drove over to see **Dottie Dunbar Wilson** and greatly enjoyed the sharing of family and reunion pictures. Other Chase news: Chuck '37 is sharing an interim ministry at the Keene Church, as well as teaching Bible class and making hospital calls. Helene is having a great time bowling (one string of 182) with senior citizens. ...Our deadlines for notes are far in advance of actual publication, but we try to keep you as up to date as possible. REMEMBER wesend our column to the magazine by September 1, December 1, March 1, and June 1 at the very latest. Your response to our appeals has been terrific. Keep up the good work.

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Class Secretaries: *Mr. and Mrs. Ray-*

mond Skinner (Ruth Coleman), RD 2, Box 2515, Whitehall, NY 12887.

At this time our 50th Reunion is a happy memory. Many, many thanks to the overall chairmen **Betty Anne Dunning Jones** and **"Bud" Wolcott**; to fundraisers **Betty Letson, Tom Murray, Bert MacFadden**, and **Bill Herrmann**; to **Bob Cushman** and **Marjorie Kohr Lovell**, coordinators of our yearbook; and to the many committee members. All of us enjoyed contacting classmates from whom we have not heard in many a year, as well as relatives of classmates who are no longer alive, including Doris **Boardman**, **Stanton**'s widow, and Ida **Ranslow**, **Paul**'s widow. ...During the winter we heard from a few '39ers. In '88, **Pat Brewer Chadwick** traveled to China, spent two weeks in Hawaii, and went to Disneyland with her twin granddaughters. ...**Dotty Briggs Fisher** is keeping "delightfully busy with her 13 Laotians," helping them settle in their own home, which purchase she has subsidized. ...Barb and **George "Cool" Park** had to postpone their January trip to Florida until March, because of his health problems which are now well-controlled by medication. ...Jean and **Gerry Cole** spent a few weeks in Texas with their son and grandchildren. After the 50th, they were headed off to Austria.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Robert T. Alden (Barbara Plumer), 51 Otterside Court, Middlebury, VT 05753, and James A. Cornwall, 156 Park St., East Hampton, MA 01027.*

As preparations are underway for the 50th, we would appreciate your help if you know the whereabouts of the following who are "missing" members of our class: **Arthur Cahn, William Creed, Ellsworth Davis, Guillermo Garrido-lecca, Cleon Gillette, Don Goodwin, Karl Hofmann, Porter Jarrell, Marjorie MacDonald Little, Dorothy Greene Long, Mitchel Meyers, Ralph Murdock, Fred Nelson, Jeanette Martin Perrin, Mary Dockstader Pratt, Herman Rowse, Winton Seymour, Bob Sheffield, Fern Silliman, Helen Hodge Stirling, George Taylor, John Vandoren**, and **Harriet Weir**. Please contact **Jim Cornwall**, the College, or me (**Bobbie Plumer Alden**) if you can help with an address. ...**Bobbie Peek Loftin** and **Jean Rose Cozzens** had a nice visit last summer while Jean's sister, Barbara, was a participant in a senior citizen swim event held in Austin, Texas. Last spring some Middlebury graduates from the '80s organized a Middlebury cocktail hour also held in Austin. There was a good age mixture as there are about 36 alums in the area. Like all retirees, Bobbie keeps too busy, and at present is trying to find time to write a book, in between starting up a news letter from Exxon annuitants, as well as one for a church group. Jean sounds as though she's now settling into being retired. Being used to a busy life she has now gotten back to working with the League of Women Voters in Dallas. What with all the registration and election activity, they had a busy fall. She is near enough to her son, Bill, to enjoy the action of his children (ages 4, 7, and 10). Jean's other volunteer project is the Dallas committee for foreign visitors, which involves State Department sponsored visitors from all over the world. They arrange appointments with appropriate local people as well as a taste of what American home life is like. Jean and Bobbie plan to be up to Middlebury for our 50th. ...**Jean Sweeny Hancock** has had some memorable visits to daughter Cindy and her family in Chicago. On her last trip she mastered learning to drive Cindy's new van, plus coping with a garage door opener that had its own ideas of what to do. In spite of the crazy changes in our weather this past year, Jean's "green thumb" enabled her to produce a very successful flower garden. She also enjoys golf, though she modestly reports her game is a disaster except putting.

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Class Secretaries: *Dr. Elaine Wadlund House, RD 1, Box 3039, Hyde Park, VT 05655, and Lester W. Ingalls, Box 583, Middlebury, VT 05753.*

We are now in that Middphase between reunions when there seems to be a lull in communication. After a great burst of correspondence last fall, the class mail has fallen off to a trickle. However, your intrepid scribes offer the following: Just as the foliage was turning into its annual brilliance, there was a call one day from **"Red"** and **Ginny Brooks Hutton** as they passed through Middlebury on their way from there to here and beyond. Both are now in good health and are enjoying their New Hampshire home. Come back again soon when you can stay a while! ...On February 10 bench and bar of Vermont gathered with guests and friends at the U.S. Courtroom in Burlington, Vt., to recognize Federal District Judge **Albert W. Coffrin** for his many years of outstanding judicial service. Following the ceremony the celebrants adjourned to the Radisson Hotel for a reception and testimonial dinner to wish Albie well as he assumes "less active" duties. Among these is chairmanship of a new ad hoc committee to review again the status of fraternities at the College. A bit of "deja vu" there, *n'est-ce pas*? ...The Alumni Office recently confirmed new mailing addresses for **Sam Bertuzzi**—P.O. Box 666, Oneonta, NY 13820, and **George Fairchild**—211 N. Main St., St. Albans, VT 05478. Haven't heard from Sam or George in many a moon. ...And what of **Jack Albert**? Where is **Merritt Garland**? Anyone seen **Bill Hallock**? Any word from **Bill Sweet**? It's been too long since **Rink Conklin, Dan Martin, Nel Easton**, and **Al Root** checked in. Same for **John Collins, Rog Griffith, Nick Krauszer, Jack Nugent, Basil Ryan, Ray Unsworth**, and **Ed Sprague**. We know that you're out there somewhere, so what are you doing? Send us a note.

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Class Secretaries: *Mr. and Mrs. John F. Bates (Nancy Rindfusz), 29 Long Reach, Salem, SC 29676.*

Jack and **Helen Hooley Young** spent Christmas in Florida with their eldest, John, and his family. They stayed in a nearby condo. Daughter Pat, married to a dean at Bates, has two kids; son John, in Norwick, N.Y., has a wife and two kids. Helen and Jack can't travel anymore but have a lovely spot in Venice, as well as a lake cottage in Norwich. ...Harry and **Sue Hulings Ottinger** had most of their family for Christmas in Albuquerque. Harry is still in the furniture business. They play tennis, entertain touring friends at their lovely mountain home, and baby-sit; Sue plays the piano and Harry the computer. They had some of Harry's MIT friends for the Balloon Festival in October, and went to Portugal again for winter get-away. ...**Nina Camuti Danielsen** had an eleventh grandchild in December. She's been busy going from New Jersey to New York to sell her parents' home in Mount Vernon. She had a reunion with **Meg Buscher Day, Elma Boyer, Alice Voorhees Adams**, and **Barbara York Linscott**. ...**Meg Buscher Day** gave up the Audubon Society because she felt it had become too profit oriented, and she has turned her volunteer efforts to the Fairfield Historical Society. She's still bridging and active in the Greenwich women's club. Bridge can change a person's life as I (**Nancy Rindfusz Bates**) met **Jack** over a bridge table with Meg as my partner. (We beat the guys!) Meg goes to interesting places for Christmas each year, most recently to the Chateau Frontenac in Quebec—many years since she lived in the chateau at Midd. ...**Pat Kane McFadden**, who is "still 9-5 secretary to the world's goofiest lawyer" (I trust he won't see this quote), is happy near her gang and healthy. Not a bad combination. ...**Phil and Betty Blanchard Robinson** couldn't stay away from Florida this winter, so had a month at Jenson Beach. ...**Robert Northrop** (R.D. #1 Box 540, Cambridge, VT 05444) is married to Julia Smith Northrop with seven children and 14 grandchildren. They live in Underhill Center on a 400-acre farm. They have been teachers, dairy farmers, sheep farmers; now they have a knitting yarn mail order business. Julia is a musician who sings with a choral group in Burlington. Robert is president of the Rural Electric Utility with 11,000 customers. He attended the Andrew Young lecture at Middlebury. Our thanks to Robert for passing along the information that **Charles B. Gilbert**, who was on the missing list, now lives in Dorset, Vermont (05251). ...**June Perry Conklin** wrote us with the sad news that **Mary Brehaut Treat** died of cancer December 23, 1988. She had been in poor health a long time but requested that it not be mentioned in the notes. June is doing "aerobics, golf, bridge, painting, etc." I suppose the "etc." is homework! She and Richard get to Florida and Vermont every year to see family and they *do* promise to come to the 50th. They've "done" the West the last two falls, visiting our magnificent national parks. We agree that there's so much to see! ...**Harriet Tillinghast Fuller** wrote that the highlight of their year was a month's trip through Europe with a visit at **Hope Rood Redway**'s home on the Channel. In November Hope visited her sister in Massachusetts, so Tilly had lunch with them. Hope and John spent March in Florida. They needed a vacation after having their kids, ten grandchildren, and the girl friends of the two oldest grandsons for a big family celebration at Christmas. ...**Dorothy Menard Bruce** writes that she has gone through all stages—marriage, family, and now widowhood. Her two married daughters live in Burlington, Vt., but she plans to stay in Topsfield, Mass., which has been her home for 22 years. Please arrange a visit to your daughters to coincide with our 50th. Dorothy still continues her sterling silver matching service, exhibits at antique shows, and operates a large mail order business, which keeps her out of trouble. ...Our thanks to **Dixie Davis** who wrote a good letter with suggestions for our 50th Reunion. We don't know yet what the College plans are, but we are open to any ideas as to how you would like to celebrate the Big One. ...By the time you read this, winter will be long gone. We are writing this letter from Montserrat, our island in the sun. The scene is changing here. Too many people have found it. We spent Christmas in Orlando with most of our family and yelled for Clemson at the Citrus Bowl. We have two pieces of news: a new grandchild in Tampa, and *three* new ones all at once in Ohio. Our minister son and his wife have adopted two girls, ages 5 and 7, and a boy, age 2, all siblings. I've decided that between Christmas, birthdays, and anniversaries, shopping is a full-time job. Many of you would agree. You may have noticed that most of the news came from the female side of the campus. C'mon guys, we want to hear from you

also. ...Our condolences to **Bill Andrews** on the death of his wife, Jean Bell Andrews '44. Jean's death occurred on February 7, 1989, during a cruise to South America, Easter Island, and Antarctica. Bill's address is 533 Munroe Ave., North Tarrytown, N.Y. 10591. ...Sadly, we must relate the passing of former class secretary **Grinny Makulec** who died March 21 after a long struggle with cancer. Her obituary appears elsewhere in this issue. ...**Bill Wood** came home from the hospital after a long stay due to pneumonia. He is on a respirator but can receive phone calls and/or letters: at P.O. Box 1087, New London, NH 03257; phone 603-526-2824.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. A. Cutler Silliman (Kathryn Sempepos), 279 Chestnut St., Fredonia, NY 14063, and Dr. S. Peter Nikitas, 41 Stonehenge Road, Pittsfield, MA 01201.*

Bill and **Helen Rotch Ferguson** have become addicted to desktop publishing. Taking turns at the computer, they edit six different publications, some local and some national, for the Episcopal Church. In February they spent a week in the Virgin Islands with Herb and **Alice Landis Tonry**, who have a house on St. John. ...**Janet Hooker Bishop** writes: "My husband, Don, died after a three-year fight with cancer on June 3, 1988. It was a devastating blow, but, taking it one day at a time, I am learning to survive and even laugh again. Will go to Alaska in June and down the intra-coastal waterway in November. If anyone gets to the Cape, I'm in the book. Would love to see you." ...The Prudential Foundation has awarded a Leadership Grant of $5,000 to Oregon Health Decisions in recognition of the seminal work of **Ralph Crawshaw**, M.D., in the field of biomedical ethics and community health decision. The citation reads in part: "We have selected you, Ralph, because of your leadership and initiatives in democratizing health decisions.... Many individuals owe to you their opportunity to choose." ...**Jim Clark** (5 Crane Road North, Stamford, CT 06902) writes: "Even before we retired from teaching, my wife (Dorothy Brown Clark '44) and I started taking courses in art history at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, which stimulated several trips to Europe. Last May-June we attended a Smithsonian Art History Seminar in Florence, Italy, which we highly recommend. Another high point of the past year was September's Middlebury Alumni College, a wonderful combination of study, fun, and food at Bread Loaf. Our regular schedule includes exercise classes at the Y, walking daily, some night school teaching (English as a Second Language), and trying not to miss the McNeil-Lehrer evening news hour." ...**Dumont Rush** (9 Chipman Heights, Middlebury, VT 05753) brings us up to date: "After graduation from Midd and MIT, I practiced mechanical and nuclear engineering for about 45 years. I retired from the Consolidated Edison Indian Point power station a couple of years ago and am very happy to report that, with the last of our five children off to college, we have moved to a delightful house on Chipman Hill overlooking Middlebury. The College has changed during the 50 years I have known it but the essential strength and beauty endure." ....**Stanley Tupper**'s update follows: "I enjoyed the 45th Reunion and resolved to keep in touch with the College and old friends. For the last three months (October, November, December 1988) I have served as chairman of a commission to examine ethics in Maine state government. Other members were former Governor Kenneth M. Curtis and Professor Eugene Mawhinney, a distinguished political scientist from the University of Maine. We submitted our findings and recommendations to the Maine Legislature January 3. Now I can start devoting more time to my law practice here on the coast of Maine." ...Good to hear once again from **Elliot A. Baines** (360 Indian Harbor Road, John's Island, Vero Beach, FL 32963) who gives a run-down on life since leaving the campus: "My wife, Marty (Cornell '44) and I have had a very fulfilling life since WW2—raising four boys, moving seven times in a question mark sweep from Illinois, Ohio, New Jersey, Connecticut, and now Florida. We've been well traveled around the world, mainly on cruise ships during the past twenty years. All of our boys are married to very friendly girls. We now have ten grandchildren living in California, New Jersey, Virginia, and Florida. What hath God wrought? My time beyond extracurricular activities in raising those boys was spent in earning enough moola to keep everyone healthy and happy. This consisted of a career in metallurgy, specifically research and sales in metallurgical products. It all began with graduate courses at Stevens Institute in the '40s and ended in an early retirement in the early '70s with a health problem—hypoglycemia. We sold the big house in Woodbridge, Conn., (30 years there) and moved in 1984 to John's Island near Vero Beach, Fla. This is truly paradise—golf, biking, social activities, and church take up our time. We've quit smoking long ago, but not soon enough for Marty, now suffering from emphysema. SO DON'T SMOKE. Am looking forward to the 50th. Hope I can make it this time."

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Charles A. Brown (Elizabeth Broadbent), 625 Cedar Lane, Villanova, PA 19085, and Dr. George S. Harris, Jr., RFD 1, Box 199A, Laconia, NH 03246.*

Rose C. Baruzzi (51 Lincoln St., Greenfield, MA 01301; 413-772-6520) was awarded the Meritorious Civilian Service Award in 1978. A graduate of the Trinity College (Washington, D.C.) two-year Parish Service Program, she has been a research analyst and has now retired to church lay ministry work. She still plays tennis and travels. ... James and **Ruth Child LaFrance** (467 E. 6th St., Perrysburg, Ohio 43551; 419-874-4625) have four children and five grandchildren. Her advanced degree is a 1945 M.A. in education for the deaf at Columbia University, plus numerous graduate courses. She has spent her life teaching deaf students in regular school, and she has not yet retired. Her avocation is playing cello in the Perrysburg Orchestra. ...James G. '43 and **Dorothy Brown Clark** (5 Crane Road, N. Stamford, CT 06902; 203-327-5778) have two children and no grandchildren. She was in U.S. Army Intelligence as a Civilian during WW II. She received an M.S. from the University of Bridgeport. Her life's work has been as mother, wife, teacher of French; her avocations are art, music, concerts, travel, and gardening. Dorothy and James have high marks for the Alumni College which they attended at Midd in September of 1988. ...Edward F. '45 and **Dorothy Cleary Cooke** (778 Reef Point Circle, Naples, FL 33963; 813-566-3353) now have three married daughters and four grandchildren. Daughter Nancy attended Middlebury Chinese Summer School. Her life work has included raising a family, teaching and library work, and real estate sales. They are retired to Florida, doing nothing and loving it. ...Nancy and **Malcolm Strawn Collin** (Box 212, Rt. 1, Morrisonville, NY 12962; 518-561-3877) have five children and nine grandchildren. Their eldest, Carol Collin Little '67, graduated from UVM Medical School and is practicing pediatrics in Hartland, Vt. Mal's military record includes graduating from the Naval Academy in '45. He was a naval aviator, '46-'49, and has been a National Ski Patrolman for 50 years. His life work has included plant engineer for Diamond Match for 18 years, and director of physical plant for SUNY Plattsburgh for 16 years. He is now a consultant engineer, energy conservation. Hobbies include skiing, sailing, flying, and some golf and tennis, swimming, hiking, and walking. ...Jane and **Robert G. Crooks** (4 Inwood Terrace, Upper Montclair, NJ 07043; 201-744-4623) have three children and one grandchild. Robert was a pilot in the 13th Air Force in the South Pacific during WW II. He received a B.A. and an M.A. in engineering from M.I.T., then a Juris Doctor from George Washington University. His life work has been the practice of property law. He is now teaching at the Franklin Pierce Law Center in Concord, N.H., and practices law in Durham and Manchester, N.H. Avocations include golden retrievers and outdoor sports. ...Charles and **Ruth Wheaton Evans** (60 Salisbury St., #202, Worcester, MA 01609; 508-752-6592) have three children and two grandchildren. She received an M.Ed. and did counseling and teaching. In retirement she is associated with Andover Newton Theology School Trusteeship and National UCC responsibilities. They give another very positive vote for the Alumni College. ...Elynore "Skip" and **Seymour J. ("Sy") Harris** (1026 Hubert Road, Oakland CA 94610; 415-763-7500) have four children and five grandchildren. He was in the USNR '43-'46 and '50-'52. A pediatrician, he received his MD from the University of Cincinnati in 1948. He received the "Bronze Bambino" Award in 1977 and the Outstanding Attending Award in 1984, both at Children's Hospital Medical Center. He also has a special interest is Bonzai cultivation. ...**Jane Nielsen** (2987 Kalakaua Ave., #206, Honolulu, HI 96815; 808-923-6613) has garnered about 85 graduate hours of credit in education, art, and related subjects. A long-time teacher in Hawaii's State Department of Education, Jane has now retired to a private school. Avocations include swimming and art. ...Otis and **Doris Orth Pike** (132 Ostrander Ave., Riverhead NY 11901; 516-727-0968) have three children and no grandchildren. She has an M.A. from Adelphi College and has been a member of the board of trustees of Dowling College in Oakdale, N.Y., since 1977. She has taught in Medford High School for 18 years and has been on the board of directors of Skills Unlimited (a rehabilitation workshop for the handicapped) in Oakdale for 25 years. She is also a volunteer teacher for ESL in Patchogue. ...David and **Anne Bowns Sayre** live at 3 Harbor Road, St. James, NY 11780 (phone 516-584-6349). She received a J.D. from New York University in 1978 and is now Village Justice for Head-of-the-Harbor, N.Y. From 1970-75 she was a visiting fellow at Lucy Cavendish College, Cambridge, England. She lists writing as her life work, and the law as her avocation. ...Pete (E.W.) and **Barbara Hall Seay** (42 Blackfoot Court, Guilford, CT 06437; 203-453-1009) have four children and two grandchildren. Barbara was honored by the Pennsylvania League of Women Voters. Her life work has been working for the League and raising her four children. She now does about 18 antique shows a year. She says she is slightly overwhelmed by being a senior citizen, but she is still active. ...Peter and **Eleanor Thomas Stanlis** (904 Boscobel Court, Rockford IL 61107; 815-399-2203) have three children, two step-children, and one grandchild. Her stepdaughter, Ingrid Stanlis, graduated from Middlebury in 1972. Eleanor's advanced degrees in-

cluded a B.M. from Eastman School of Music and an M.M. from Hardin-Simmons University. Her life work has been as a music teacher. Her avocations include cooking and theater.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Winslow Wetherbee, Jr. (Barbara Boyden), 1642 18th St., Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44223, and Will J. Bangs, 119 Bingham Road, Carlisle, MA 01741.*

Midge Harwood Greer seems to be busier now than before her retirement. Her latest volunteer job is delivering "Meals on Wheels" for the elderly. Midge and husband Jim enjoyed an Elderhostel in April 1988 at Alderson-Broaddus in West Virginia. After Jim's retirement in May, they hope to go to a three-week Elderhostel in Scotland, England, and Wales. ...**Charlotte Hickcox** and two friends spent two weeks in Hawaii in February. They stayed a week on Maui and one on Kauai in the Poipu beach area. Char reports that the scenery was spectacular. They got in a little golf and toured the Waimea Canyon. ...Barrett and **Barbara "Dru" Drury Sand** have sold their home in Warwick, R.I., and were planning to move into their new place on March 2 or 3. Their new address is 9 Marcello Drive, Jamestown, RI 02835. ...**June Robinson Reenan's** husband, George, had by-pass surgery early in 1988 and is doing nicely now. Our sympathy goes to June on the death of her mother in September. June and George have been on the road, traveling to Colorado in October to see their grandchildren. Thanksgiving was spent with daughter Gayle, and Christmas with daughter Lori. ...Pete and **Ruth Strode Carsley** were in West Yellowstone when the fires started last summer. When they flew back for Christmas and took the snow coach into the park again, Ruth thought it was more spectacular than she'd ever seen it. The fire damage was quite spotty and made a mosaic of black against the pristine white of the snow. Being below zero, the steam had crystallized on the trees, and it was truly a winter wonderland. She saw the eruption of Old Faithful with two foreign tourists and five browsing deer.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Roy E. Coombs, Jr. (Fran Tenney), 30 Fern Place, Berkeley Heights, NJ 07922, and Mrs. Albert S. Johnston (Eileen Luz), 54 Old Army Road, Bernardsville, NJ 07924.*

China is fast becoming the favored destination of those who travel abroad. In our last column **Mary Nasmith Means** wrote of her return to the scene of her childhood. Now we hear that **Margaret Hood Kennedy** made a similar three-week pilgrimage at about the same time (September 1988). It began when Muckie's husband, BJ, was invited to teach a one-week course in medical oncology in Beijing for the International Union Against Cancer. The year of 1988 was a special one for BJ. He was honored in New Orleans, with all the Kennedys present, as the retiring president of the American Society of Clinical Oncology and was named a Regent's Professor of Medicine at the University of Minnesota, the highest academic award given by the university and its faculty. Following the stay in Beijing, BJ, Muckie, and her sister, Dorothy Hood Bittmann '43, traveled to Suhsien where Muckie and Dorothy were born. They were warmly welcomed by old friends, saw their home, the church their father had built, and the mountain resort where their parents were married seventy years ago. The trip ended with a voyage down the Yangtze River and through the famous Gorges. In November another meeting took them to Monaco where they found the scenery breath-taking and the tourists at a minimum. Three of the Kennedy children live in the Twin Cities area, the fourth in Rochester, N.Y., and they all meet when possible at their cabin in northern Minnesota. ...A Christmas card from **Becky Fraser Cremer** brought a change of address: P.O. Box 112, Hawaii National Park, Hawaii 96718. Becky found it hard to leave three children and six grandchildren on the mainland. Husband Tom '48 has been building a house in a sparsely settled area—at 4,000 feet! Some work remains to be done on the house, as well as clearing the lot, but bike riding (streets are paved) and golf seem to impede their progress. They have a view of snow-capped peaks on 14,000-foot mountains and find the climate ideal: 50 degrees at night, warming to the 70s in December. Son Erick is in the area, and Becky was hoping to see Cas (**Mary Caswell Jones**) who lives 90 miles away on the west side of the island. ...Louis and **Nancy Rathgeb Smith** are both retired, though she keeps busy selling real estate part time. They are still in Highland, N.Y., but have a summer place at East Dennis on Cape Cod. There Nancy sees **Kay Craven** and sometimes **Pam Lowe Maloney**. Last summer she ran into Helen Clark Nourse '47 in church. One of the Smiths' sons teaches at Duke and has a son and twin daughters; another son lives in Ithaca, and their two daughters live and work in Boston. Last fall Nancy had lunch with **Ann Argyle Lerew** who had traveled from Colorado for her son's wedding in nearby Millbrook. Nancy also passed along the happy news that Dick '48 and **Esther Walsh MacNeill** are the proud grandparents of a little girl. ...It's been a long time since we've heard from **Cynthia Proud Jennings**. She and husband Peter lived for many years in the Danbury, Conn., area. They raised three children—and Irish setters! Their two daughters live near Boston and Detroit, their son is still in Danbury, and there are five grandchildren to make life interesting. The Jennings retired in the fall of '87 and bought an old farmhouse on 130 acres in Delanson, N.Y. (between Albany and Schenectady). They aren't farming, just cutting hay. They have only one dog now and they all enjoy the beauty and privacy of those acres. Week-ends find them traveling to dog shows as they are both qualified judges for the sporting breeds. ...When John and **Betty Hurd Wyant** retired they moved just a little inland, from New Port Richey to Dunnellon, Fla. This meant forsaking sailing, but they have taken up canoeing on the Rainbow River. They have a son in Charlotte, N.C., and a daughter and two granddaughters in Panama City, just a few hours away. Betty says John is a "hobby trombonist" and she goes along to clap! They still try to come north each summer to visit Betty's mother. Perhaps they can plan such a trip around our next reunion! ...**Barbara Grigg Welsh** is really excited about her new "career" as a certified gallery instructor at the Boston Museum of Fine Arts where she introduces children to the Egyptian and American collections. Last year she and Jack went with a large group of MFA instructors to India for a month. That experience greatly expanded their horizons. This winter they went to San Diego for their youngest daughter's wedding and then on to a vacation in Hawaii. Two grandchildren had been living with them for about six months while their parents were traveling. Their most recent grandchild was born in November. Jack is still working, though beginning to taper off. His garden is still his pride and joy. Barbara had a telephone call from **Terry Schnyder Jarrell** when Terry was en route to Maine for a Christmas visit.

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Class Secretaries: *Rev. and Mrs. George H. Booth (Joanne Buckeridge), 3515 N. Washington Blvd., #401, Arlington, VA 22201.*

Via scenic postcard of the Australian Outback, **Jean Gunther** reports that she is visiting Rasjad (Lynn) Moore '48 in Queensland: "We'll spend one month touring 'out of the way' places mostly, but will include the Great Barrier Reef." ...While some of us get fat and sassy in retirement, others of us, such as **Virginia Stowell James**, earn a Ph.D. Jinny presented her dissertation on arts talent development in December 1988. "All went well, and the degree at last has been won. I did a study of talent development in the arts—music, dance, theatre, and visual arts—from early childhood through late adolescence, through a follow-up study of 59 former participants in a high school special education program for the artistically gifted." Jinny says that if any 'out there' would like more details she'd be glad to offer more information (373 Reeds Gap Road, Northford, CT 06472). ...Word has reached us that **Emily Cushing Hesse** is operating a bed and breakfast called "Bedsprings" in Glenwood Springs, Colo. It's an old house, built in 1916 with "old, oak woodwork and the pings of old radiators," and with a view of Red Mountain to the west. ...A Stamford, Conn., newspaper article informs us that **Mary Corcoran** has retired after 36 years as a social worker in family service work. Mary received her master's degree in social work from Columbia University and began as a caseworker with Family Service of West Essex. In 1968 she went to Stamford to join Family and Children's Services, a private, non-profit, social services agency offering a variety of counseling and social services to residents of that area. Under her leadership the agency expanded to include a variety of new programs to meet the needs of the community. At the time of her retirement, Mary was the executive director of the agency. It seems likely that Mary will now have time to pursue her interests in fishing, snorkeling, sailing, and traveling. ...And who won New Hampshire's "Rookie Archaeologist of the Year" award in 1988? **Don Gilmore** of Meredith, N.H.! He has found this new pursuit "fascinating." Last summer he joined up for a month of archaeological field school, survey and dig in the Saco-Ossipee valleys. Under the guidance of a N.H. state archaeologist, the team found early pottery sherds, tools, and points. Don has also been working on another research project on the origins of the hieroglyphs of the Micmac Indian of Gaspe and Nova Scotia. Don retired from the United States Information Agency in 1977 after posts abroad in Dakar, Rabat, Brussels, New Delhi, Bogota, and Washington, D.C. He then did "conference programming for television moguls and event interpreting for the State Department." He is on the Conservation Commission and the Lake (Winnipesaukee) Region Planning Commission. Don and wife Nicki are the parents of four children and three grandchildren, and still find time amidst these other activities to conquer more and more of New Hampshire's peaks.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Benjamin L. Smith (Fran Van Cleve), P.O. Box 1307, Pahrump, NV 89041, and Ste-*

wart Washburn, 60 Lakeview Place, Fairfield, CT 06430.

Miriam Wade Butts was a guest lecturer during last fall's lecture series of the Adams National Historic Site at Adams Academy in Quincy, Mass. Her lectures were entitled "English and American Painters—Before and after Copley" and "American Painters Here and Abroad—Before and After Sargent." An instructor at the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston, her major interest is in New England art and architecture. She is the co-author of two "Jack Dows" by Viking Press: *China Trade* and *Early Industrial Trade in New England.* Miriam and husband Charles have been escorting art study tours in England for the last ten years. ...**Janet Kohler** writes that her mother had a stroke on January 10, leaving her paralyzed on the right side. Janet sold her house in New Jersey in 1983, taking early retirement to stay with her mother. She now works in the library in Hughesville, Pa. Her mother is at home and Janet says she's managing with help from relatives and friends. An aide comes in on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, and the doctor and nurse come twice a week. When that help ends, she may have to put her mother in a nursing home. ...**Frances Van Cleve Smith** has had several articles and poems published this year, with quite a few sold or accepted for future publication. She asks that you ALL send letters, so we can have an informative column each quarter.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. George A. Platt (Rachel Adkins), 682 Mendon Road, Pittsford, NY 14534, and John H. Valentine, Jr., 566 Acton St., Carlisle, MA 01741.*

Now that our great 40th Reunion is behind us, let's all start thinking of returning for our 45th. Already one of our "missing" classmates, **Douglas Armstrong**, has expressed plans to make that reunion. He was unable to attend our last reunion because he was traveling through Central and South America on his last sabbatical year from Ithaca College. Thanks for keeping in touch. We look forward to seeing you at our 45th. ...**Judith Potter Kinter** was happy to be found and would love to hear from Middlebury connections. She is a writer and storyteller of children's stories and lists her address as 6847 Sutter Ave., Carmichael, CA 95608. ...The Alden Balch Memorial Library in Lunenburg, Vt., has received a most generous cash donation and more than three dozen books about Japanese culture and history from the Tokyo University's attached High School (Todai Fuzoku) in Tokyo, Japan. This contribution came about through a Middlebury connection and member of our class. **Ernest A. Lawson** taught at Todai Fuzoku for two years after World War II. When the class of 1958 of that institution celebrated its 30th reunion last summer, funds were raised for Ernest to return to Japan for the function. When he was unable to make the trip, the class chose to donate the funds to a worthy cause in his honor. Ernest submitted the name of the Lunenburg library where he works as a volunteer several days a week, recognizing the contribution the library makes to the town of Lunenburg. The influence of Middlebury graduates is certainly far-reaching. ...Lisa Ward '90 is the new recipient of our Class of '49 Scholarship Fund. She comes from Riegelsville, Pa., and is majoring in American civilization. Along with her academic studies she is involved on campus as a freshman orientation leader and works as a student aid in the admissions office.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Robert T. Davison (Jacqueline Brooks), 86 Spring St., Lexington, MA 02173 (617-862-3282), and Dexter C. Whittinghill, Jr., 24 Burroughs Road, Lexington, MA 02173 (617-862-7738).*

Seven years into retirement, **Howard Sackett** enjoys golf, crabbing and musseling, bike riding, and bird-watching on Hilton Head Island, S.C. Active part time as a local nature tour guide, Howie is fast forgetting all those Connecticut-to-NYC commuting years, while president of the family's printing business. Travel centers around holidays in New England to visit sons and daughters. Serious burn injuries from a car fire several years ago have healed 100 percent, allowing full freedom to maintain Port Villa 1607 (Sea Pines Plantation, zip 29928), captain his boat, and pedal the healthy 10-miles/day. Howard and wife Nancy (Leach) '48 answer at #803-617-6236 between chores. ...Reached handsome, superactive **William Stearns**, Jr., in between Windham, Conn., High School physics teaching, interviewing Midd candidates, x-country skiing, surf casting for blues, skippering his 17-foot cruiser, and juggling at magic shows. Gone are the years of coaching skiing and refereeing lacrosse. Post-Midd featured Springfield College degree and three years teaching/coaching at Mt. Hermon School. Raised two boys/two girls and now resides at 75 Westminster Road, Canterbury, CT 06331. "No major vacation travels in 20 years....Cut wood between events to stay in reasonable shape." Bill visits Laconia, N.H., regularly. Someone, please, call him at #203-546-9216 and coax him into his first-ever reunion trip! ...Caught early-1940s Newton High School chum **Joan Delamater Turner** (70 Taylor Road, Acton, MA 01720) via #508-263-7526, just after another busy day as kindergarten teacher at Douglas School. "Everything the same, no new news," but she did mention visits to a son in Oregon, a trip to Ireland in June '88, and hike/bike rides at a second home in southern New Hampshire. Two daughters doing well. Husband Ken is back to daily 5-mile walks after his 1987 heart by-pass. Best wishes, Joan, for continued good health and a long, well-deserved retirement, ASAP. ...In-shape award-for-the-quarter goes to **Cyrus Whitney** (41 Morley Drive, Wyckoff, NJ 07481). When I first called #201-447-2653, Cy and his daughter were hiking frigid, icy Mt. Blankhead, as part of the Catskill Club regime to conquer all peaks over 3,500 feet. Also under attack is Adirondack 4,600-foot Club, New Hampshire's (46) mountains over 4000 feet, and New England-New York's (111) major summits. Whew! For an honest living, Cy is V.P. of Aubrey G. Lanston & Co., a brokerage house dealing primarily in government growth bonds. Previous stints included (2) NYC banks (trust department) and the Federal Home Loan Agency. Commuting took its toll! "May retire in the next several months, to better enjoy four children and three grandchildren. Have been very active in BSA for 20 years, raised two Eagles, but settle now for district-level administration. Visit Vermont every fall during foliage season, and attend Midd Alumni College regularly, as the highlight. Heading for Paris on Saturday (February 18). Had travel appetite sharpened last year via BEA's seven-day theatre tour to London." ...Telephone #301-530-0340 reached a very busy and upbeat Dr. **Robert Rauner** at 5909 Kingswood Road, Bethesda, MD 20814. Bob heads up the Defense Department's Economic Adjustment Office, which will now assist towns/cities adjust to military base closings, after years of the reverse. The Congressional pay raise hassle may be the broken straw to send him back into the retired sector to market his latest invention—a gas mower adaptation of a little known 1854 kerosene lantern patent. Investors welcome? After the 1950 Dutton Fellowship and London School of Economics came ten years of teaching at Trinity College and 20 years in domestic/government "commerce." All four children, two-n-two, graduated from the University of Maryland and live in the Washington area, where (3) have produced four grandchildren. His mom, at 92, shares his apartment. Everyone is busy now moving into a new condo at Ocean City. Serious downhill skiing "died" 10 years ago with his back disc operation. Staying active with tennis, golf (12-hdcp), and x-country skiing. But "where's the snow" in '88-'89? ...Hey, Major (USAF) **William A. Williams**, Jr., where are you? I called your last-listed Sarasota, Fla., telephone number and disturbed strangers! ...Jackie and I (**Dex Whittinghill**) attended an early-December Boston luncheon for Midd Class Secretaries-plus. We found the alumni relations administration team extremely helpful and interested in making our jobs easier. We also took the pledge to co-chair the 40th Reunion in June 1990. Take cover, gang, as we'll be heading your way to share the load! Why not beat the gun and call us with your ideas regarding format and your preferred task? I'm a dreamer! ...**DCW** is reveling in 11th month of all-Saturdays/Sundays! No end of my assault on unfinished projects, hobbies, sports, and elder-care. Lexington GC (treasurer) and church's Men's Club (president) tease me along in some daily routine. Heading for Florida for four weeks of "battery charging" and bumming off lonely friends. Still awaiting your cards, letters, and calls with alumni news...which never come! Everyone can't have a broken hand, hoarseness, no stamps, and/or overload simultaneously? Cheers! ...**Lura Hallett Smith** is living a busy life in Summit, N.J. After raising three sons and three daughters, Lura is now enjoying her four grandchildren. Lura earned an M.A. of Divinity and, though she was never ordained, she is a deacon at the United Church of Christ, is a soloist in the choir, and volunteers in the church office. Lura can be persuaded to come to our 40th—especially if she knows her old buddies will be there. ...Retirement in Melbourne, Fla., and Rochester, N.Y., is a new experience for **Joan Hallett Evans** and she is enjoying every minute of it. She and husband Tom have purchased a town house in a planned community called Sun Tree, which includes two 18-hole golf courses, a large pool, club house, and tennis courts. Joan volunteers at the local library and in the pharmacy at the Patrick Air Force Base Hospital. Joining the yearly northern immigration, they return to Rochester by May, reversing the trip in early October. Ah, the rewards of retirement. ...A long talk with **Barb Ferris Smith** (73197 Rod Laver Lane, Palm Desert, CA 92260) brought back many memories of our days at Midd. Barb is all set to get us singing again with ideas for music and lyrics. A return trip to Turkey last August to visit their former AFS student was fascinating but very hot! He escorted them in visits to sites of the early Christian church, Greek and Roman ruins, and all the attractions of Istanbul. Back home Barb is organist and director of music for the very active Presbyterian Church, which holds three Sunday services. ...I hope you *can* teach an old dog new tricks, for this old dog (**Jackie Brooks Davison**) has returned to school to be a travel agent. This is serious stuff with classes that meet five days a week for six weeks. Half the time is spent at the AA Sabre Computer trying to sort out the complexity of booking the cheapest flights, finding a good hotel at the best location,

and getting the best deal in car rentals. Oh, what I'll go through to get an agent's discount on fares and hotels.

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Class Secretaries: *Mr. and Mrs. Edward W. Higgins, Jr. (Jean Maintain), 44 Cabot St., Winchester, MA 01890, and Benito G. Barsanti, 70 Plymouth Road, Wakefield, MA 01880.*

Ralph Loveys has been chosen by Governor Thomas Kean of New Jersey to head the Turnpike Authority. Under his direction will be the continuing $2 billion widening program started by his predecessor, Joseph Sullivan. According to a news release, "This is believed to be the most ambitious program ever undertaken by a toll road, in good part because the agency must clean up more than ten toxic and garbage dumps along the northern portion of the route. Legislators from both sides of the Assembly aisle say Loveys is a good choice to meet that challenge. Members of both parties give him high marks for his work as chairman of the Assembly Insurance Committee over the past several years." ...We are sorry to report that **Phil Hawley** succumbed to a massive heart attack on October 19, 1988. He was visiting his daughter, Carole, in Beverly, Mass., at the time. Phil had been enjoying retirement between Sebago, Maine, and Flagler Beach, Fla., and he found a grandfather's joy with his four grand offspring. Our sympathys are with his family at this time. ...Dr. **Ernest R. Gilmont** has been elected president of the American section of the Societe de Chemie Industrielle, a Paris-based international organization which aids and encourages the use of scientific and engineering developments by the chemical industry. Ernie is a member of the chemical and resource consulting section of Arthur D. Little, specializing in acquisition and diversification studies, new technology identification, and analysis, and R&D structure and planning studies with particular emphasis on specialty chemical industry segments. ...**Martha O'Brien Fenn** has been librarian at Brattleboro Memorial Hospital Medical Library since its inception in 1970. Now a registered member of the Regional Medical Library Network, this medical library has received a certificate commending it for "its commitment to providing high quality information services for the health professions" from Dr. Donald A. Lindberg, director of the National Library of Medicine, Bethesda, Md. ...**Jim Kitchell** is vice president of special operations for the Goodwill Games and Turner Broadcasting System, Inc., based in Atlanta. He was recently appointed to the newly-created WRMC Alumni Advisory Board.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Robert Francoeur (Mary Halsted), 456 Gurney, Lake Bluff, IL 60044, and Al Mutti, 57 Crooked Trail Road, Rowayton, CT 06853.*

Carol Whitham Brewster continues to work with Witness for Peace in Maine, furthering the cause that took her to Nicaragua. Carol included a clipping telling of the death of **Polly Norton Polstein**'s husband, Martin. "Marty" taught American history and classes on the Middle East at the University of Maine at Augusta. Polly and Carol continue to spend a great deal of time together. ...**Ann Perry Dixon** writes that she turned down a transfer to Louisville and is now manager in the administrative department of National Life Company, working "60 hours a week—and that's down from 70." She has a new grandson, is leading an active social life, and helps her aging parents. You should be giving a course in time management, Ann. ...I (**Mary Halsted Francoeur**) had so much fun with **Lindy Pahner Christie** in November that I made another trip to California in March. Lindy hopes to hear from everyone west of Texas with news that she can send to us for this column. ...The Alumni Office has sent clippings that have enabled me to follow the lives of Bob and **Mary Roberts Hardesty** who will have moved to Washington, D.C., by the time this is published. Bob has left his position as president of Southwest Texas State University and will be a consultant in Washington, while Mary will continue her writing. At one of the many going-away parties for the Hardestys, Bob made a comment which was quoted in the *Austin American-Statesman* and which is food to chew on: "Friendship is the oxygen of human relationships." Keep the news coming so that we can help to keep the oxygen flowing! ...Still practicing law in White Plains, **Henry Barrett** has no plans for retiring—especially since he still has a daughter at Middlebury. We talked about **Ed Kaplan** whom Bud had contacted frequently before Ed moved to San Antonio. Bud still plays tennis but he golfs only occasionally. ...**Dick Daily** has been piloting a 1946 restored Aeronca Champion. He believes the engine was rebuilt by Wrong Way Corrigan's crew chief, which has provided him with some interesting flying experiences. He enjoys living in Indiana with wife Suzanne (Simmons) '54 and says that he occasionally sees Alan Kimbell '53 and **Bill Huey**. Dick reports that Bill is either struggling with or has mastered the game of golf, I'm not sure which. Apparently, Bill spends considerable time in Hilton Head where he is a property owner. Dick also reports that **Joe Davis** went skiing in Switzerland which seems to be becoming an annual event. ...**Dick Eddy** vacationed in San Miguel de Allende, Mexico, a pretty vacation destination for American tourists. At an elevation of 6,700 feet, there are many artists, sculptors, and students studying Spanish. ...**Henry Draghi** is still in the business of supplying precision machined components to the aerospace industry via his company, The Centerless Products Company. No plans for retiring yet but, when the time comes, Cape Cod would be his destination. He's enjoying golf, boating, and fishing, and spends time at his second home in Avalon, N.J., which is as "close as I can get to the Cape in New Jersey." His last trip was to Las Vegas where, he said, "I lost money." He has a daughter at Villanova and three sons at home; he comments, "It must be a nice place to live." Hank hears from **Tim Budd** (class agent) and old friends **Barry Weekes** and **Earl Gale.** ...**Alan Gussow** is "busier than ever, painting, organizing collective art projects, serving as visiting artist and lecturer at colleges and universities in U.S. and Canada." He is also into serious gardening: "We are mostly vegetarian and grow most of our vegetables in our French intensive/biodynamic beds here in Congers. I serve as chairman of the board of directors of Friends of the Earth, U.S., and recently helped that group merge with Environmental Policy Institute and the Oceanic Society." Last fall he traveled to Krakow, Poland, for an FOE International meeting. In conjunction with that trip, he journeyed to Lithuania where he was able to return to the small hamlet where his father was born and from which he emigrated 75 years ago. Alan returned to Middlebury in January 1986 to teach a winter term course, "Arts and Action in the Nuclear Age." He lived in Rome, Italy, in early 1987 as Artist in Residence at the American Academy there. Alan's children are now living in New York and Ann Arbor. ...**Herb Melchior** writes from Alaska where he is still the Statewide Furbearer Coordinator for the Division of Wildlife Conservation, Alaska Department of Fish & Game. No plans for retirement yet and he keeps active with cross-country skiing, hiking, Alaska State Employees Association, and the Alaska Trappers Association. His travel is mainly around the Fairbanks area but is also statewide on occasion. His most recent trip was to Florida and the Yucatan Peninsula of Mexico where "I explored Mayan ruins and subtropical and tropical wildlife. I also watched my wife and her mother spend lots of money on Mexican handcrafts, art, and jewelry." Herb's children have relocated to Anchorage and Seattle, Wash. Herb would like to hear from **John Bowker**, **Dick Macnair**, and the old gang at WMCRS, so write to him at 2721 Horsetrail Trail, Fairbanks, AK 99709. ...**Ken Nourse** is beginning to think about retirement, but that won't occur until the early '90s. He plans to remain in Middlebury so he can continue to ski, golf, and travel occasionally. The children have begun to leave home, with one in Lake Tahoe and the other graduating from St. Michael's in May 1989.

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Class Secretary: *Robert C. Kelly, 7 Governor's Lane, Shelburne, VT 05482.*

I am sorry to have to write that two more members of our class passed away since the last column. **Robert V. Johnson** died at his home in Greenfield, Mass., on December 30, 1988. He is survived by his wife, Margaret, two sons, a daughter, and three step-children. **Elizabeth Taber Nemser** passed away December 10, 1988, in Moorestown, N.J., after a bout with cancer. She leaves her husband, the Rev. Rudolph Nemser, two sons, a daughter, and three step-daughters. The class offers our condolences to the families of Bob and Betsy. ...Captain **Walter F. Miner**, MC, USN (RET) reports, with great pleasure, that he has absolutely nothing to report. He feels guilty about enjoying retirement so much and, after 30 years in uniform, says that the toughest decision he has to make every day is what clothes to wear. Miner Manor (33525 Lakeshore Drive, Tavares, FL 32778) is always open for Midd visitors. You may be sorry you said that, Walt. ...**Pat Hamilton Todd** moved to her former vacation home in Lincoln, Vt. (Box 2620, RD 1, Bristol, VT 05443; 802-453-2153), on February 24. She's going to give rural living a try on a full-time basis and extends an invitation to one and all to come visit. ...**Randy Rice** has also chosen an old farmhouse in Lincoln, Vt., for retirement purposes. I wonder if he'll notice any difference after living in Oklahoma City for seven years. ...I believe **Jane Weitzel White** still has a house in Lincoln. ...**Nancy Hamilton Shepherd** spends a lot of time in Lincoln as well, particularly since her two granddaughters live nearby. (Hanna Allen was born in December 1987 and Willa Pohlman in November 1988.) Nancy continues to enjoy her work as rector of Trinity Chapel and co-chairperson of a pastoral outreach commission for the diocese. Husband Tom is doing well being a creative businessman and Vermont farmer. ...**Dick Allen** is really enjoying his new work in the insurance business. He doesn't travel anymore and is obviously thinking of retirement as he and Linda plan to take the Orvis fly fishing course in Vermont. Does this mean no more golf? ...**Bob Prosser** married Judy Stanley on October 10, 1987, a week before the stock market crash, but Bob says it's been an all Bull market for him ever since. Their new address is 103 West River Road, Rumson, NJ 07760. Bob retired as a stock specialist on the floor of the New

York Stock Exchange several years ago, but still remains a partner in the firm of RSF Partners on Wall Street. He has two new step-children—Cooper (16), who is attending Westminster School in Connecticut, and Lindsay (13), who is at Rumson Country Day School. Daughter Anne (27) is attending Columbia Graduate School. Son Scott also lives in New York City while son Rob, who is recently married, lives in Providence, R.I. ...Lewis and **Sarah Pettibone Dabney** love the West, specifically Laramie, Wyoming. Son Lewis (20) is at the University of Virginia, and Elizabeth (25) a graduate of Princeton and the Mannes School of Music, is living in New York City where she is beginning a career as a singer. Sarah is running the department of discharge planning and social services, as well as the Employee Assistance Program at a local hospital. Lewis, a professor of English at the University of Wyoming, is on sabbatical writing a biography of Edmund Wilson. ...**Bob** and **Nancy Peck Royce** report the arrival of granddaughter Alexis Ann to son Jon. The Royces were planning a two-week driving tour of Northern Spain in April. ...Gene and **Nancy Aulisi Catena** are alone for the first time in 34 years. Their youngest (their daughter, I presume) is a sophomore at Syracuse University, and their six sons are spread far and wide: two in Italy, one in Hawaii, one in California, one in Washington, D.C., and one in North Carolina. Gene is a family court judge; Nancy substitute teaches at Amsterdam High School. They often run across the same youngsters in their work. ...**John W. M. Clark** will be retiring in December from the Rhode Island Army National Guard as a Captain. Next year he plans to spend March to September on the Appalachian Trail, but he plans to return to Middlebury in 1991 for our 38th Reunion. Let's put John in charge of that one. ...**Nancy Clemens Crosby** was elected president of the board of trustees of the Rotch-Jones-Duff House and Garden Museum in Bedford, Mass. She is also on the board of the Dartmouth Natural Resources Trust. ...**Janet Pope Paulsen** has left banking and is now working at Bookworld in West Caldwell, N.J. She says that this is "the best browsing bookstore, bar none, in north Jersey." Son Peter is with "Vans to Vail," Lynn is at N.H. Public Television, Carl is finishing his master's in environmental sciences at Duke, and Fred just finished his fourth Syracuse varsity soccer season as captain and now must face reality as graduation approaches. ...**Alan Kimbell** has retired as marketing director for the Indiana Commerce Agency. He and Anne have now gone back to the "real" world of small business after spending a month in Costa Rica. ...**Jim Havens** is now living in the "hidden valley" of Treadwell, N.Y. (zip 13846) in the western Catskills. His 8-year-old, primarily mail order, antiques business has expanded from American Brilliant glassware to include other examples of the decorative arts. His lists are always available and he welcomes stray Middites who are exploring the Catskill turnpike. ...**Millard "Bill" Davis** is involved in a church-sponsored "Heart of Camden" project of rebuilding houses in center city where bars on the windows are a neccesity. ...**Bill Calvert** checks in with three grandsons. ...**Peter Marshall**'s son, Stephen, became a Midd graduate in May, making spring semester the last of Peter's 33 straight semesters of tuition payments! Son Bruce was named head hockey coach at U. Conn. last September. Peter is still with Nypro, Inc., in Clinton, Mass., and recently built a vacation home in Sandwich. ...**Janet Nutt Lembke**'s newest book, *River Time*, is scheduled for publication in June. The book depicts life on the banks of North Carolina's lower Neuse River. ...Carol and **Buzz Tilton** were partaking of a golf cruise in the Caribbean. In January, Buzz visited his son in Alta, Utah, and took advantage of their 350 inches of snow to do some skiing. If you remove the zero and deduct ten, that's how much snow the Burlington, Vt., area had through February. It was a bad, bad, ski year for the Northeast, at least on natural snow. ...**Marion Seymour** had a most interesting trip to Nicaragua in December of 1987. While working on a coffee brigade with 13 other U.S. citizens, she observed first hand the destruction and injuries caused by Contra attacks on the farmers and villages. She is not applauding the U.S.'s policies in dealing with Nicaragua. ...**George Christian** became a grandfather for the first time when Doug and Ginny had a little girl, Erin. Three daughters are unmarried and working in the Chicago area. Youngest son Brad is a sophomore at Indiana University. In reply to a query from George and from many others, Gordie Perine's annual Middlebury Alumni Golf Tournament will be September 8-9. It's a lot of fun and, though our class has been well represented every year, Gordie would certainly welcome more participants. ...According to George, **Fish Herring** retired from Armstrong on Jan. 1 and is now an architectural rep for one of his old customers. ...Bob and **Betsey Strong Kent** are taking advantage of his early retirement to do lots of skiing, biking etc. Betsy is taking advantage of their visits to son Dirk and his wife, Tracey, in Vail to participate in some Masters' ski races. Then it's on to Calgary, Alberta, to visit daughter Ann Johnson, her husband, and three grandsons. Daughter Kris Nordblom has two sons and lives in Andover, Mass. Last year the Kents took bicycle trips to Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and North Carolina's outer banks. Middites are invited to visit them at Jackson Ridge Road, P.O. Box 606, Jackson, NH 03846 (phone 603-383-9076). ...**Link Furber**'s daughter, Sarah, joins her sister, Edith '85, as a Midd alumna in June. ...**Betsy Cushman Gumbart** reports continued association as a member of the Advisory Board of the Literary Volunteers of New Haven, Conn. Her job involves helping to raise $20,000 a year for this cause. Her sons are in Colorado, Utah, Florida, and Connecticut. ...Jim and **Phyllis Laidlaw Herring** have moved into their new house and Studio Herring at 20300 Shearers Road, Box 699, Davidson, NC 28036 (phone 704-892-1093). Daughter Holly lives in Brooklyn and works at the Environmental Defense Fund. Amy and husband Chris, both writers, have moved from NYC to San Francisco. Pamela and husband Bill Mahoney and daughter Abigail are in India where Bill is hoping to finish his book. ...**Barbara Brown Power** is running for a seventh term as trustee of the Paul Pratt Memorial Library of Cohasset, Mass. She is also a member of the appeals board and served on the planning committee for the consecration of the first female Episcopal Bishop. Barbara and husband Jeffrey have three children and two grandchildren. ...**Laura Chapman Rico** still teaches math and coordinates the tutorial program at Merced College Westside Center in Los Banos, Calif. She also helps plan the Christian education program at St. Albans Episcopal Church. Daughter May, who plans to go to California State University, was having a good high school senior year, playing on the varsity basketball team. ...Living in Orinda, Calif., **Howie Rogers** is a hospital marketing and territory sales manager with Smith Kline Bio Science Labs. Carrol, his first and only wife, is working with Coldwell Bankers realty. Both daughters are successful and eligible. (Tell me more, Howie, I still have four eligible sons ranging in age from 15 to 33.) ...**Roger "Spider" Gibson** has obviously not lost his love for hockey. The March 27, 1989, issue of *Sports Illustrated* carried a story about a model of the Montreal Forum which Spider has been building over the past 14 years. It started out as just a rink, but then he started adding stands and balconies, and then lights and people, and even a Zamboni. The model is three feet tall, seven feet wide, and twelve feet long, taking up about a third of his basement. The story has also appeared in The Buffalo Sabres' magazine, and *Goal* magazine. The model is truly a masterpiece. Spider and wife Elsie have two daughters—Elsie (married July 9, 1988) and Linda. ...For the past three years, **Marilee Wells Reiner** has been development director for the New York City Mission Society. Her son, Clark, graduated from Midd in 1986. Husband John is an attorney in New York, as is their daughter. ...**Barbara Ann Connor McLaughlin** is chairman of the Zoning Board of Review in Newport, R.I., and is a former chairman of the Republican Town Committee. Barbara has two sons. ...**Gladys Tanner Myers** advises that husband Neil '51 retired from J.C. Penney Co. last November. The two of them are happily settled for the first time in 35 years at 7730 Hwy. 7, L.P. Rt., Estes Park, CO 80517 (phone 303-586-6376). Her studio is waiting to be messed up and they are looking forward to skiing, hiking, and just plain looking at mountains. That is, after the birds, critters, and guests have been fed. (Note that "critters" come before "guests.") Midd friends are welcome (if you don't reach them on your first call, try again). ...Tom and **Pat Cavanaugh Boss** are finally settled in their new home at 43508 Scenic Lane, Northville, MI 48167. Tom is corporate risk manager for Guardian Industries, who own, among other things, the Detroit Pistons. Pat recently found out that her mother's basketball team, Aetna Insurance 1927-28, is in the Basketball Hall of Fame in Springfield, Mass. This explains why Pat has always been such an avid basketball fan. Their youngest of five is a senior at ASU. The oldest four are all gainfully employed and Pat's business, BOSS, is doing well. ...In my last column, I located **Charles Mraz** in Singapore. He's still there when he's not marketing missiles, fighter planes, etc., for McDonnell Douglas throughout the Asia/Pacific area. ...**Tom Kohlberg**'s wife and secretary, Timmy, reports that Tom has moved his office from Larchmont to Tarrytown, N.Y., after many years in the former location. (They both sound like high rent districts to me.) The Kohlbergs have seven kids, plus five grandsons and two granddaughters, as of this writing. ...**George Byers**' job as senior management consultant for the Western Region Coldwell Banker Residential Affiliates keeps him traveling around Texas, New Mexico, Colorado, California, and Hawaii. He gets to each area every six to eight weeks, and Peg always seems to tag along on the Hawaii trips. I wonder why. Their family consists of three children, two in-law children, and three grandchildren. Retirement is drawing near. ...Bob and **Corinne Morgan Smith** have moved to 42 South Wind Drive in Burlington, Vt., only to find themselves living next door to **Chuck** and **Sue Valentine Jennings** who recently moved to 44 South Wind Drive. Corinne left the University of Vermont last July to go into business for herself as a psychotherapist. ...Chuck and **Mary Gamble Callanan** and daughter Mary (17) took a six month trip "down under" beginning in December 1987. They spent Christmas in Hawaii before their long trip to Australia where they toured for three weeks. From Tasmania to Victoria, New South Wales, to Queensland they traveled via Servas, staying with eight different families. In late January they flew to New Zealand where they settled down in Dunedin on the South Island. Mary went to Otago Girls High for a semester, while Chuck worked on his book, and Mary took some art courses, learned croquet (pronounced cro-kee),

and poked about. The Callanans returned to the U.S. in May just in time for the marriage of son Tom '77 and Kimberley Smith in Marblehead, Mass. Three children got married in eleven months! Doesn't that break a record announced in a recent class letter? ...**Harding Williams** reports that he is alive and well in Washington, D.C. He left the National Council of Savings Institutions last December and is trying to decide whether to open his own government relations firm or go back to a legitimate job. Harding has joined two other generations of Middleburians in the Washington Opera's production of *Pique Dame*. Jon Green '65 and Andrea Wallenberger '85 are also involved. ...**Al Bassett** has retired from Johnson & Johnson and, after the termination of a consulting agreement in about a year, he and Joan (Tolley) '55 intend to sail south aboard their new sailboat. At this writing they were enjoying their first grandchild, even though Al feels he is too young to be a grandfather. ...**Joe Peck** finally wrote and advised me that his new box number in Manchester, Vt., is 1729. Joe is still with Kohlberg & Co. whom he joined about a year ago. It's a good thing **Tommy Kohlberg** never told his brother about Joe's Middlebury escapades or he never would have gotten the job. Although, come to think of it, Tom wasn't particularly a saint himself. Joe was taking his two daughters on their annual ski jaunt to the French Alps, even though there was a shortage of snow in Europe this year. ...The **Robert C. Kelly**s are getting ready to move again. We plan to sell our house and build on the lot next door as soon as the weather warms up. ...Thanks for all of the information for this column. Although it takes time to get it in print, all the information you send will appear. Since many of your classmates will not take the time to write, please send news of anyone with whom you have been in touch. Thanks again and we'll see all golfers at Gordie's alumni tournament in September.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. John J. Rudd (Elaine Smith), 1035 Walden Blvd. S.E., Palm Bay, FL 32909, and Christopher Van Curan, 1 Standley St., Beverly, MA 01915.*

Not much news this month—we'll have a report on the reunion in the next issue. ...Heard from **Carol Anderson Gwatkin** who attended a Middlebury dinner in San Francisco. She heard an interesting talk on the Soviet Union by President Robison and had a nice visit with **Karl** and **Lois Robinson Limbach** and with Pat and **Bill Carpenter**. Carol enclosed a clipping from *The San Francisco Chronicle* about **Art Bass**, former president of Federal Express, which said he had been named president and chief executive officer of Cooper Cos., Inc., a Palo Alto based health care company. ...Those of you who could not attend reunion, please send us some account of what you have been doing recently.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Alton H. Bassett (Joan Tolley), 73 Harriet Drive, Princeton, NJ 08540, and John H. Denny, Sr., 721 Prospect Avenue Ext., Princeton, NJ 08540.*

This column is dedicated to our good friend **Electra Bostwick McDowell**, who died on March 10, 1989 (see obituary). Electra was president of the Shelburne Museum, which her grandmother founded. She was devoted to the museum's "spectacular" folk art show that is on a two-year tour of the U.S. (Hartford—June '89; New York City in October '89; Worcester—June '90). Electra and Fletcher's middle daughter, Laura '83, is living on the Bostwick farm in Shelburne, Vt., while doing graphic design in Burlington. ...**John Baker**, who specializes in residential architecture, has revised his book *How to Build a House with an Architect* (Harper & Row) and is preparing a manuscript on the development of the American house. Three of John's houses were in the *Better Homes and Gardens* top ten all-time favorites, plus they were chosen for the "Design USA" exhibit on display in the USSR ('89-'90). Daughter Jennifer Baker Dotti '83 gave John and Liddy their first grandson; son Ian '79 (Bread Loaf '85) heads the Experiment's "A.S.A." program in Nepal; Jamie (16) is a junior at Hotchkiss, "eyeing Midd for '90"; and Hayden (12) is still at home. ...**Peter Baldwin**, enjoying his 12th year teaching professional psychology at Antioch New England Graduate School, is less enthused about another year as president of the state psychological association. In the meantime, Carolyn "Double" Whitmore Baldwin '54 practices law. To keep in shape, they log a 100-acre forest and raise chickens, ducks, geese, hogs, bees, and four horses. Daughter Sarah (27) is a master chef; Bob (23) fishes, skis, and is a white water rafting guide in New Zealand; Judi (22) works at the local small animal hospital. Peter says that the Dissipated Eight is finally incorporating an alumni association. "Watch for notices of coming events!" ...**Dick Makin** was a serious winner in the Alumni Golf Tournament in September '88, which coincided with his birthday and a party at **Bruce** and **Sue Heyer Byer**'s house in Cornwall. Joining Dick, **Pat Hinman Makin**, and son Rick '84 were **Nancy Walker Faulkner**, Linda and **Frank Punderson, Tom** and Lyndie Smith '58 **Lamson**, Chaplain **Charlie Scott**, Charlie and Pat Judah Palmer, both '57, and Judy and Dick McCoy '54. Since their second home is in Cornwall, Bruce and Sue (and their springer spaniel) spent twelve weeks commuting between a law practice in Ridgewood, N.J., and a "clerking" job in Middlebury so that Bruce could qualify for his Vermont license. ...The Rev. **Paul Clayton**, minister of the Congregational Church of Needham, Mass., received the Walter A. Telfer Award for excellence in supervision of seminarians, from the Andover Newton Theological School, where he earned his graduate degrees. Paul is also a director of the City Mission Society, and was its chairman from 1984-86. ...Wally and **Janny Kate Reynolds Collins** have retired from the University of Colorado—he as professor of music, she as assistant to the chancellor. They spent two months going from coast to coast in a motorhome, "watching birds and relatives," and another two months sorting the mail. ...**Jerry** and **Gretchen Rath Doolittle** married off one of their five sons in Rangeley, Maine. Jerry still teaches at Harvard and Gretchen at Indian Mountain School in Lakeville, Conn. ...**Jack Fassnacht** manages "a very interesting product line" (he doesn't say what it is) for DuPont and, in the off hours, he and Abbie cruise on the Great Lakes in their 28-foot Beneteau. Son Nat has a TV rental business in Columbus, Ohio; Howard is studying computer-assisted design. ...**Jenny Netland Fenner** sends the best version of the July '88 reunion of seven female '55ers (referring to "age and year"), that ended at **Scotty MacGregor Gillette**'s cottage on Lake Superior. It was a five-star, PG event ("some nudity"), planned and hosted by the Minnesota contingent (Scotty, **Junie Stringer DeCoster**, and **Judy Zecher Colton**). Other happy participants were **Mary Lou King Wollmar, Nancy Walker Faulkner**, and **Sue Heyer Byers**, who reportedly won the best figure award. ...**Janet Beem Frost** celebrated fifteen years as executive director of Volunteer Macon (Georgia) and the birth of her first grandchild—namesake Janet Clair. After having four sons, Janet was delighted! ...In December '88 **Ann Halsted** earned a doctorate in history of education from Stanford, where she spent time with **Nancy Carpenter Ellis** who also got her doctorate from Stanford. Since Middlebury, Ann has been a guide at the United Nations, a volunteer for UNICEF in Honolulu, a writer, and a 1987 visitor to China. Now she'll settle on teaching in Hawaii. ...**Robert "Tom"** and Cyndy Eastman '56 **Heller** are both in publishing and, after 25 years with Doubleday, Tom has become president of Crossroad/Continuum in New York. Grandson Douglas is "wonderful," but he lives miles away in Albuquerque. ...**Carlene Snyder Howland** says that Arizona life is even nicer now that Dick has retired. They must have satisfied their lust for travel in May when three daughters graduated: Brenda with an M.D. from the University of Arizona; Lisa with an M.B.A. from Indiana University; and Donna with a B.A. from Colorado College. ...Although **Sandra Sharp Joncus**'s kids have moved out, she is too content to retire from her reference librarian job. ...After four years in Kansas, Joan and **John Kempf** (Rt. 5, Box 172, Arkansas City, KS 67005) "have adjusted nicely to the Southwestern life." When he's not overhauling jet engines for G.E., John is involved at the country club and in Rotary. He is district governor of Rotary for a year, and has helped develop its Youth Exchange Program. ...**Denis** and **Ann Singleton Pfeifler** spent Christmas in Florida and had a very special New Year's Eve when #3 son, Charlie, was married. ...**Tom Seamans** had a "truly memorable trip" to Russia in September '88 when he climbed Mt. Elbrus, "which is Europe's highest peak at 18,618 feet." The multi-national members of his 20-person group included Steve Durkee '75, who took a week off from his duties at the American Embassy in Moscow. ...**Nancy Grimm White** had a full '88 with three graduations and a wedding: Jordan graduated with honors from the Gunnery and attends Skidmore; Brig got his M.B.A. from the University of Rhode Island; Brooke graduated again from Yale, this time with a masters in organization and management, after which she was married in August; Jof attends Ithaca. To celebrate the big year, Nancy and Jack bought a beach house in the Bahamas! ...Clark and **Peggy Burkman Winslow** now have three grandsons. They got a head start when twins were born to elder daughter Susan in September '87. Pamela's boy arrived in July '88.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Julia A. King, RR 2, Box 99C, Peterborough, NH 03458, and Edward P. MacDowell, 29 Nimitz Place, Old Greenwich, CT 06870.*

In fall 1988, **Gardiner Barnum** delivered a paper on New England town names of German origin at the annual meeting of the New England-St. Lawrence Valley Geographical Society in Hanover, N.H. Gardiner is an associate professor of geography at UVM. ...**Water Mears**, who has been executive editor of the Associated Press since 1984, left that post late last year to become AP's vice president and to write a political column from Washington, D.C.

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Class Secretaries: *Dr. and Mrs. Wayne*

G. Reilly (Pam Clark), 1339 Biscayne Road, NW, Roanoke, VA 24019.

The members of the Class of 1957 continue to be active and on the go, if the numerous unanswered telephone calls your class secretaries made for this newsletter are any indication. We did manage to make contact with a few people and want to share their news with you. ...Bob '51 and **Adrienne Littlewood Delaney** escape to their New Haven, Vt., home as often as they can. She reports that they occasionally run into other friends who have also figured out that a second home in Vermont is a good excuse for getting back to Middlebury. Among this lucky group are Bob and **Lee Hall Albern**, **Charlie** and **Pat Judah Palmer**, and Bob and **Shirley Whitney Juneo**. In addition, **Murray** and **Julie French Campbell** joined the Delaneys for some Vermont skiing during the New Year's vacation. Adrienne, who is a member of the nominating committee for the Midd Alumni Association, encourages all members of the Class of '57 to send her or **Hugh Marlow** nominations for the Alumni Plaque (outstanding service to MIddlebury) or Alumni Achievement Award (outstanding achievement in one's career). ...**Tim** and **Liz O'Donnell Wallace** reports that they have no special news, but that they certainly enjoyed the mild Massachusetts winter. (The **Reillys** echo that sentiment from Virginia, but we thought only we transplanted Yankees were allowed to express such "non snow" sentiments.) ...We were not successful in reaching **Derek Evans**, but we did learn that he is staying young keeping up with his children, the youngest of whom has just turned two. ...We have just heard that **Barbara Asbury Fisher** has moved from Connecticut to RD #1, Box 410, Bellefonte, PA 16823. ...**Sabra Harwood Field** reports that she has taken on new responsibilities as a Justice of the Peace. Her son, Paul, was finishing his degree in engineering and philosophy this spring. ...We had a wonderful chat with a busy **Margaret Zornow Thomas**. She said she was sorry to miss our 30th Reunion, but the time conflicted with the graduation of her daughter with an M.A. from Notre Dame. First things first! Margie reports that she periodically talks with **Heather Hamilton Robinson** and that she had a long conversation with **Priscilla Noble Grundy** last fall when a Thomas children was relocating in the Chicago area. Margie says she occasionally sees **Mary Dickey Smith**, who lives nearby; **Jim McCann**, who is a lawyer in the next town; and **Roger Tirone**, who runs a very successful travel agency in the area. It sounds like we have the makings of a '57 alumni group in the Rochester area. ...Ron '56 and **Kathy Platt Potier** spent a long May weekend at a lodge in the Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia and we even convinced them to venture down the Shanendoah and spend a night in Roanoke with the Reillys. It was fun. In addition, Wayne had a chance to visit with **Harry (Moose) Johnson** at his restaurant during a recent trip to Boston. Boston area Midd residents no doubt know about the fantastic view of the city skyline available from the Scotch 'n Sirloin—for any '57ers visiting Beantown, a stop there is well worth your time. Finally, Wayne saw **Hugh Marlow** at the Midd vs Washington & Lee lacrosse game in Lexington, Va., where he learned that, in addition to his duties as director of alumni relations, Hugh has apparently become an unofficial coach/trainer/equipment manager. We are impressed. ...We hope to have news from more of you for the next issue of the *Magazine*. Please don't be shy, just drop us a line about what you are doing so that we can share that news with the other members of the class. Thanks! Think '92!

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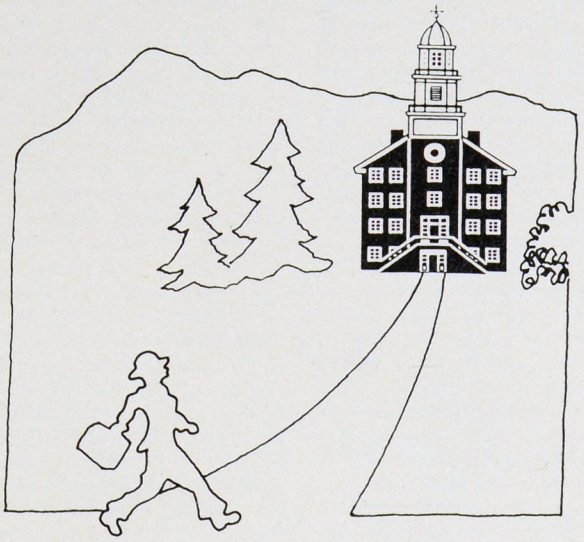
Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Arthur E. Crowley, Jr. (Mary Roemmele), 24 Giorgetti Blvd., Rutland, VT 05701, and Joseph E. Mohbat, 551 Pacific St., Brooklyn, NY 11217.*

Two questions: Do you realize we are older today than Dean Kelly was on June 9, 1958? And: How many of you look through alumni news first for the people you made out with? Trivial quiz: Who was our commencement speaker? Answer correctly and await your prize. Send in your own '58-associated trivial questions: we'll print the worst. Thanks for your good responses to the February solicitation (the yellow sheets) for fodder for this column. Do send in those hot (news) flashes! Only through participation can you learn such monumental (and alphabetized by pre-married name) news as all the following: **Jack Benfield** (RR 1, Cove Road, S. Salem, NY 10590) is "very happy to report that I'm now semi-retired and enjoying the hell out of it—traveling, lots of golf, and trombone lessons! (Something I always wanted to do.) Would welcome a call or a visit from any old friend." ...**Bob Blacker** has made room in the family home furnishings business for eldest daughter Karyn—the third generation in the business. Beyond that, reports Bob from Bedford, N.Y., "nothing earth-shaking." Kids, grandchildren, and all went up to St. Johns for Faith Blacker's 50th. Second daughter Laura is working in Boston; son Mike, a Middlebury sort (class of '85), is "finding himself" in Jamaica. ...**Alan Bond** has had two meditations published (by C.S.S. Publishers of Lima, Ohio) in an anthology called *We Are the Lord's*. (He left out the apostrophe but we supplied one so it wouldn't sound like a biker gang.). Al's pleased to look out on his congregation

Leading the Parade



There are alumni who climb the hill to Middlebury more often than their five-year reunion. They visit as many as three times each year as members of the MCAA Board of Directors, the governing body of the alumni Association.

The Board is made up of approximately 20 directors. In order to maintain regional representation, it includes the Presidents of the local alumni chapters. Directors serve as co-chairs for specific areas that serve the interests of the College as they interact with alumni: admissions, annual giving, class secretaries, nominations for leadership or awards, young alumni and the MiddNet program.

The MCAA invites Middlebury alumni to submit names of alumni (including yourself) who should be considered for leadership positions (Director and Alumni Trustee) or MCAA awards for service and achievement (Alumni Plaque and Achievement Awards). With more than 19,000 living alumni of Middlebury College, we need your help to keep up with everyone's activities. Please include a letter of recommendation and any background material that may be available to:

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(First Congregational, Reading, Mass.) of a Sunday morn and see the former president of the Boston Middlebury Alumni Association and newly elected alumni trustee, Churchill Franklin '71. Bet the Rev. Mr. Bond (178 Walnut St., Reading MA 01867) would send you those meditations if you couldn't find the anthology. ...**Calista Bowlen Newton**'s place in Jericho Center, Vt., is now the home of Guido, a cockatiel (the bird, not the musical instrument). Guido replaces son Scott, the third and last young Newton to leave the nest. Calista (bearer of probably the most intriguing first name in the class) is finishing her tenth year as credit manager at Thomas Chittenden Health Center in Williston. Gardening, flea markets, and antiques join Guido among Calista's loves. ...**Bob Corliss** reports from Liverpool, N.Y., that he played in the Syracuse Seniors Pro-Am golf tourney with Gary Player. "Not much help from Gary, but we managed to win it," Bob relates modestly. MONY Financial Services is beginning a fourth decade of having Bob in its ranks; he's VP-Individual Systems. There's a usage we didn't know back then: "Systems." But Bob, what's with this "seniors" stuff? ..."Life is good and interesting for me but not the sort of thing you put in a newsletter," writes **Helen Dickey Curtis**. Wanna bet? Having migrated all the way from Middlebury to Essex Junction over three decades, Helen reports "children grown up nicely, doing their own things," and a challenging half-time job as a cardiology nurse, leaving time for sailing, cross-country skiing, a little travel, and spouse Larry '57's church. Guess which college chaplain-emeritus "guested" in the Curtis pulpit this past winter? ...If you're passing through Grand Manan Island at the entrance to the Bay of Fundy this summer and see a familiar face engaging in salmon farming, say hello to **Stephanie Eaton**, who hoped to take a breather there after completing two-thirds of the rigors of Franklin Pierce Law Center in Concord, N.H. Steffi's finding law school "frustrating, yet at times a fun challenge." One suspects she prefers Grand Manan I., which she deems "a special part of this planet." ...Retirement is not for **Dick Fusco**—he's just opened "the first of many gourmet bakeries in the Boston area—a new business venture." What's being retired is not Dick, but his old Medford High School football jersey, sent to glory by the City of Medford as Dick was elected one of the first inductees into the MHS hall of fame. ...The Montreal food brokerage firm of **Ken Kouri** & Associates doubled its size by merging with another firm last year. Ken and Carol still live in downtown Montreal, where Middlebury daughter Stephanie '86 is in advertising. The Kouris see Donna and **Herb Urbach** two or three times a year; Ken still plays hockey once a week in winter (a legal requirement for residents of La Belle Province, eh?). ...Ever look at a map and wonder what could possibly be going on in that northernmost tip of Maine, on the frontier with Canada? Well, for one thing, **Gale Lorenzen Flagg** is teaching a seven-student botany course at the U. of Maine's Fort Kent campus. Filling in for a prof on sabbatical, Gale is pursuing a lifelong interest. "It's a nice use of the winter," she says. Commuting? "After my two-mile ski out, a hired student drives me to and from the university." She's still busy with her mail-order business of wildflower, herbal, and printed items; still playing the pump organ at the local Congregational; preparing to build a house: "The trees are cut down and await spring for further working." ...**Rich Miner** (T. Richardson Miner, in grownupsville) is chairman-elect of the National Association for Hospital Development. He's director of the Lahey Clinic Foundation in Burlington, Mass., and a fellow of NAHD—the highest level of recognition in the health-care development field. ...When **Mim Packard Brown** wrote in late winter, she was headed for a month at a condo in Vero Beach with "all the girls and husbands," having spent last October in China and Tibet. Mim still lives year-round on Lake George but loves travel. "When people ask what I do, I just tell them I play!" She's earned it. ...Speaking of play, you read in the 25th Reunion book (still a good read on a rainy day, by the way) about the birth of **Sandy Van Zandt**'s steel boat. Virtually *toute la classe* has written to ask whether it floats. It not only floats, but Sandy and wife Sidney have plied (if that means crossed) the Atlantic twice in the 39-foot cutter. They departed Key Largo in late April '87—just the two of them, dig—with stops in the Bahamas, Bermuda, the Azores, and Portugal, cruising the coast as far as the Spanish border before leaving for Madeira, m'dears ("our favorite island") and the Canaries. The return passage took 17 days and brought Sandy and Sidney into Martinique on January 6, 1988. A Dutch girl joined them for the paddle from the Canaries to Martinique, whence Sandy and Sidney headed (*sans* Dutch girl, we think) for their home port in Noank, Conn. After some refitting of the boat, they write, they "hope to be off again." Classmates wishing to apply for crew positions should hail Sandy promptly. ...**Ken Wilson** (who spent his first two college years with us, left for M.I.T. and Edinburgh, and returned to graduate in 1960) opts to be identified with '58, to our honor. Pursuing the artist's life from his home in Arlington, Va., former DU Ken writes to mourn the plight of fraternities—and DU's role therein—at Middlebury. "I hope those at Midd can survive the crisis and emerge as an acceptable and responsible way of Middlebury College life," he opines. ...Past deadline, we received a blizzard of breathtaking news from all over that won't fit in this issue. It'll appear in September, have no fear. Have a good summer, if the ozone shield lasts.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Frederic B. Preston (Granthia Lavery), 123 Hampshire Road, Wellesley, MA 02181, and Robert E. Luce, 90 Winthrop Drive, Riverside, CT 06878.*

We are pleased to announce that classmate **Patricia Sherlock Davidson** has been elected Alumni Trustee of Middlebury for a five-year term, 1989 to 1994. Congratulations, Pat! ...Thanks to everyone who helped make our 30th Reunion celebration special. Some served on committees, others hosted pre mini-reunions in their local communities, and many participated in the June 2-4 weekend on campus. You were great! For those who were not able to be with us, we missed you. ...**Stephen Enroth** was at his daughter's graduation and **David Riccio** was busy at Kent State where he teaches psychology. A composite of biographical notes from classmates is being compiled and will be mailed soon. New addresses: **Eleanor Bennett Marlow**, P.O. Box 506, LaSalle, TX 77969; **Dorothy Dever Frost** (Mrs. Harold Frost), 370 Mendon Road, Pittsford, NY 14534; and **Patricia Sherlock Davidson**, 98 Coolidge Road, Arlington, MA 02174. ...**Carolyn Parks Behr**'s daughter won first place in the winter 1989 juvenile lady's figure skating competition for all New England. Congratulations, Allison!

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Donald J. Mulvey (Nancy Mumford), 104 High Plain Road, Andover, MA 01810, and Dr. Michael J. Robinson, 153 Powers Road, Sudbury, MA 01776.*

Ma Bell helped us to get news of **David Klock**, who was married two years ago to Lowell, a Duke grad. An information specialist for the Food Marketing Institute, Lowell enjoys photography and cooking in her free time. David is director of the Balance of Payments Analysis, a key unit of the Treasury Department. In his spare time, he plays clarinet in the Alexandria Symphony. (At least he has sweet music to soothe his nerves, if the balance of payments is not in our favor!) ...A longer reach was to Pomona, Calif., to **Jerome Rinkus**, an associate professor at nearby Pomona College. Jerry, who was a Russian major, is the coordinator of the Russian program at Pomona and spent last summer at Moscow State University with thirty other teachers of Russian. When not indulging his love of travel in Russia or Western Europe, Jerry attends numerous concerts at the Hollywood Bowl. ...Happily ensconced in the Pacific Northwest for the last eight years, **Luci Frontini Boyle** hikes and skis near her Seattle home. Her enthusiasm for the area is tempered only by the need to keep it a secret, lest over-population destroy its charms. Luci is beginning to think of an outside job now that son Patrick (21)—a junior mechanical engineering major at nearby University of Washington—is not in need of as much mothering. Every so often Luci is persuaded to leave Washington and venture back to her Vermont roots and relations, and our 30th Reunion will be a good reason. ...**Sandra Ferry Ammon**'s life in Mequon, Wisconsin (suburban Milwaukee), brings to mind that old commercial, "busy day, busy day, busy, busy, busy, busy day!" Besides practicing medicine at the local Veterans' Hospital, Sandy is involved in the activities, lessons, projects, etc., of her three busy children: Kristin (14), Peter (12), and Christopher (7). Their successful pursuits in science fairs, spelling bees, math contests, music lessons, and orchestra performances enable Sandy to put 2,000 miles a month on the car as chief chauffeur, as well as #1 fan. She enjoys her other role as well, which involves the supervision of three wards and responsibility for over 100 patients in the rehabilitation/nursing home section of the hospital. Sandy's husband, a gastroenterologist, has recently gone into private practice after many years in academic/research medicine. It's going to take some planning around these schedules, but Sandy is also looking forward to our 30th in June 1990. ...Two new addresses to report: **Lee Farnham** has re-located to 16 Quince Court, Lawrenceville, NJ 08648, and **Linda Hood Gibb** recently moved into a new condo at 22 Strathmore Lane, Westport, CT 06880. (No doubt these two 25th Reunion yearbook collaborators will be returning for the 30th also!) Beginning to sense a theme here, folks? The big time is less than one year away, so make a note of June 1-3, 1990, and plan to make tracks back to the middle of the Green Mountains.

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Class Secretaries: *Mary Jo Aagerstoun, 1716 U St. N.W., Washington, DC 20009, and William F. Wallace III, 5403 Braxtonshire Court, Houston, TX 77069.*

The new year brought an unexpected and appreciated avalanche of 31 responses to our 100 second "green sheet" Christmas cheer note. We will dispense this bounty carefully to have news for two or three columns; don't despair if your news does not appear immediately. And keep the news com-

ing. ...**Gerry** ("The Colonel") **Carrick** sent us his 1987 "green sheet," which he says only proves he never throws anything away. Gerry was recently elected president of the Greater Providence (R.I.) Board of Realtors, the largest in the State, adding this position to a directorship of the Rhode Island Association of Realtors. Last November, Gerry and Chase went to the Realtors' Convention in San Francisco where they were royally entertained by "the Perle Mesta of San Fran," **Jodey Lenfestey**. Gerry says that Jodey, **Tee Newsom**, and **Steve Crampton** have all tried (unsuccessfully) to talk him into going on the class European ski trip. Gerry says he's not going because he "hasn't been in their league since someone stole my Abercrombie and Fitch bamboo ski poles at the Snow Bowl 30 years ago." Never fear, though, for those who remember the sartorial splendor of the Colonel! "I still have my zip up coat for lounge wear," Gerry says, and concludes "see you in two years at our 30th!" ...**John Kerney** leaves 1988 behind with "very mixed emotions." In September, John escorted his oldest daughter down the aisle at her wedding. Three months later his oldest son was killed in a freak accident in his patrol car in Leesville, S.C., where he had just completed six months as an undercover narcotics agent; during that time he had survived many drug raids, including one in which his chief was gunned down. ...**Howie Mettee** is mad and isn't going to hold it in anymore! Sez Howie, "If I may comment on the most recent faculty pretext to abolish fraternities at Middlebury (a lewdly displayed female mannequin), perhaps the abolitionists should consider that the undergraduate experience extends beyond the classroom, that social life would be drastically curtailed at Middlebury without frats, that they probably would not have welcomed such a cutback in their own undergraduate years, and, finally, who the hell is paying the bill here anyway?" Anybody want equal time? ...**Pete Spalding** has his next assignment, as U.S. Consul in Surabaya, the second largest city in Indonesia. Pete says, "Bali is in my district, so I expect visitors!" Pete is really up about the assignment, which will not begin until August 1990, since he has to take a year of Indonesian language training and the Deputy Chief of Mission course before he goes. Pete and Carol spent Christmas in San Francisco, which is Carol's home town, and had a few days of skiing in Tahoe. ...**Jack** and **Fran Blick Westerbeke** report that son Scott '91 "loves Middlebury where he is double-majoring in physics and English (interesting combination—a scientist who can express himself)." Fran said they enjoyed the company of Mary and **Lee Kaufman** and Anne and **Roger Christian** at Parents' Weekend last fall. The other two Westerbeke sons, Rob and Doug, are temporary expatriates—Rob is off in Australia backpacking, and Doug is in school in Canada where he wrote home that he wanted to vote in Canadian *and* U.S. elections last fall. ...Class Co-Sec **MJ Aagerstoun** needs cheering up. Fall was dismal, since she is a dyed-in-the-wool Dem. Adding insult to injury, as if the big five-OH wasn't enough, this Aquarian's "golden" birthday fell on the very day of George Bush's Inauguration, prompting MJ to flee to Gotham for solace from daughter Ainslie (who does research and production assistance for the *MacNeil/Lehrer News Hour*) and some close pals, good food, gallery prowling, and the great show (which was in previews) *Black and Blue*. ...From Rhode Island, we understand that **Arthur M. Cottrell** has joined the Washington Trust Company's trust and investment department as vice president and trust officer. An Ashaway resident, Art is a member of the Hopkinton Board of Finance as well as a trustee of Taps, the Westerley Hospital. ...**Holly McKenzie** of Shoreham, Vt., reports that she loves teaching 6th grade at Middlebury's Mary Hogan School. Her son, Jason Cross, has been accepted early decision to Middlebury's class of '93; son Marshall graduated from Williams in '88; son Seth is in 4th grade at the Shoreham Elementary School; daughter Hillary is working in San Francisco; and daughter Ashley, who graduated from Swarthmore in '86, is obtaining her Ph.D. in English from Brown. Holly's husband, Bob Martin, is teaching computer science at Middlebury, where (she reminds us) there is now a computer science major. Our compliments, Holly, on returning to teaching after bringing up four kids and one still in grade school. ...Great news from Ashville, Ohio, where **Bert Vonderahe** reminds us all how to stay young. Bert announces the arrival of a son, Charles Edward, on June 12, 1988. Bert hopes that "in or about the year 2006 they (Charles Edward and brother Henry) will both be enrolled at Middlebury, spending my social security money on something other than beer!" Bert and his wife were hoping to run into some of us in Middlebury in June when they planned to attend a Dissipated-8 reunion. ...Our sincere congratulations to **Janet Linderoth Bohren** who received her doctorate in June of '88 in instructional design and technology from Ohio State University. She is now in her second year as a faculty member at the University of Cincinnati. ...**Anne Fisher Ellwood** of Provo, Utah, tells us, "It's so good to feel good again." Anne nearly didn't make it through the year due to "a hole in the stomach, surgery, and pulmonary problems." She now continues as an emergency room nurse. She has cut back on the quantity of her teaching but she continues to act as an adviser to an independent ambulance service. Her son, Alex (24), graduated from Lewis and Clark and is now in flight training in Texas. Daughter Ruth (27) has been very ill, but is now able to take care of her three children and help her husband who was to graduate from college in March. Ann plans to fly to Texas for Alex's graduation after which she planned a Caribbean Cruise over her 50th birthday. Good luck to you, Anne. ...**John L. Williams** of "Rutland Law" has been president of the Vermont Trial Lawyers' Association. John continues to be active in fraternal organizations and is a representative to the Imperial Council for the Cairo Temple, District Deputy Grand Master of the Masons of Vermont, and Treasurer for the Fair Haven Fraternal Order of Eagles. John, how do you have time to practice law? ...An advance invitation to our 30th Reunion to **Marion Yeaman Land**, who says "I toyed with making the 25th reunion, but only having been in Middlebury 1-1/2 years was afraid no one would know me! I read every biography though, enjoying even those people I didn't know, and especially those I remember well." We can assure you, Marion, that you will enjoy it. Marion is involved in residential real estate; husband Don is an M.E. in architectural engineering; son Don (26) is involved in commercial development; son George is a TWA flight attendant. ...**George Chatfield** writes that his daughter, Shawn, who graduated with honors in political science from Western Maryland College, has married an Ensign from the United States Naval Academy. She plans to attend law school at the University of Hawaii where her husband is stationed in Pearl Harbor. ...The Vermont legal connection continues with news from **Steve** and Susan Comstock '63 **Crampton**: "The country lawyer," writes Steve, "also observes with pride and awe as his bride becomes a trustee at Middlebury and a board member of the New England Life Insurance Company." Their son, Steve, following in his parents' footsteps, is finishing his last year at George Washington Law School and has accepted an offer with a D.C. law firm. Steve says that "the old folks continue to hike, bike, sail, and ski to fend off the ravages of age, with the highlight of '89 being the upcoming trip to Lech in February." ...**Paul** and **Linda Ryman Frinsko** are still in Maine, where Paul is a senior partner with Bernstein, Shure, Sawyer and Nelson. Linda writes that she is a "professional volunteer." Daughter Meredith is a sophomore in high school and son Steve is a freshman at Dartmouth. ...Congratulations to **Karin L. Kosoc** who was completing her master's in education in May at the University of Hawaii, the department of educational technology. Her thesis was entitled "Application of Educational Technology for the Field of Special Education." After completing "her greatest triumph of '89," Karin hopes to obtain a position as an instructional designer, following some well-deserved R & R—location unknown. ...**Judith Hole Suratt** says that she now has the best assignment at CBS News that anyone could have. "Every Friday morning during the 8:30 half-hour of *CBS Morning* with Harry Smith and Kathleen Sullivan, I produce a live interview with a distinguished and famous person as a remote from his or her home. The feature is called 'At Home With ———,' but in format it is exactly like Edward R. Murrow's 'Person to Person'." Judith says that she has had recent conversations with the likes of Paloma Picasso, John Kenneth Galbraith, Beverly Sills, Robert Ludlum, Art Buchwald, William F. Buckley, Jr., Helen Hayes, Jeffrey Archer, Michael Caine (from London), Andy Rooney, Dr. Ruth, Barry Goldwater, Gloria Steinem, and Malcolm Forbes. This assignment, she says, "God willing, will go on for the rest of my natural life. Tune in! 8:30 New York time on your CBS channel." On top of all this, Judith says that she has racked up enough Frequent Flyer miles so that she and her husband, Sam, got a free trip to Italy this winter. ...From Texas, we have sad news from **Carolyn Bennett Wood** who lost her husband after a six-month bout with cancer. Since that time, Carolyn has been immersed in many new areas in the realm of real estate, banking, cattle operations, and general business. She now feels that she is beginning to get a grasp on the situation enabling her to make some major decisions. She is also busy with her own travel agency which is in the process of doubling in size. With all of this activity, how she has managed to get away for the third annual Middlebury ski trip to Lech is beyond me, but we wish we could be there. Those making the trip with her included **Steve** and Susan Comstock '63 **Crampton**, Dexter and **Jeanie Rau Dawes**, Marjorie and **Harvey Gray, Judy Starbuck Hannemann, Jodey Lenfestey, Sally Gibbs McLaughlin, Tee Newsom**, Peggy and **Dario Quiros**, Jim '59 and **Sally Tingle Southard**. ...Class Prez **Dario Quiros** has news of our 25th Reunion Class Gift. Dario says watch your mailbox for a complete report, but here's a preview: Final count (after all other earmarkings were subtracted) is $280,000 from the Class of '61 to our Alma Mater. The funds are being kept segregated in a designated '61 corpus. The income from our gift has gone for the past couple of years to support a faculty speakers' bureau which was originally instituted as a recruitment strategy to encourage applicants from areas "remote" from Middlebury. The College is apparently quite satisfied with the effectiveness of the various initiatives (of which the faculty speakers' bureau is one) in bringing more students to the Midd campus from areas of the country previously sparsely represented. About 30-40 percent of the faculty speakers' bureau support has come from income from '61's class gift. Specifics will be in the report to be sent to all '61ers during the summer. ...Stay tuned for more news next report.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Allen L. Bridges (Anne Thornton), HCR 68, Box 44, S. Woodstock Road, Woodstock, VT 05091, and Dr. John F. Sinclair, 482 Woodbury Road, Springfield, VT 05156.*

Wasn't it fun following the successful campaign of our most famous classmate and seeing him on TV? We've received clippings about our new National Democratic Chairman from many sources, and have to add the comment that, in addition to being very well-spoken, he's really quite photogenic! When **John Sinclair** was talking to Gordi Eaton '65 while skiing at the Snow Bowl in February, Gordi pondered why Ron wasn't a Republican. John reminded Gordi that Ron was a Sig Ep, not a Phi Beta Kappa. ...We also appreciate the watchful eye of **Jan Timmerman Abbott** who sent a review from the *Burlington Free Press* of **Kathy McKinley Harris**'s children's story *The Wonderful Hay Tumble* which was described in our last column. Kathy's celebrity status continues. As Thorny (**Anne Thornton Bridges**) scrubbed her oven one Saturday morning in February (newsworthy in itself!), her day was brightened as Kathy's voice came over the airwaves on Vermont Public Radio discussing her book and helping to raise money for the station. ...Christmas greetings from **Carrie Kittell** related that she continues to enjoy her position as development officer for capital giving at St. Lawrence University in Canton, N.Y. She has been traveling coast to coast, but has found time to help arrange cultural events for the University. ...**Karl Schneider** is research coordinator with the Alaska Fish and Game Department. Based in Anchorage, his address is 11620 Our Road, Anchorage 99516. ...Dr. **Sherren Waung** (6050 Blvd. E, #19E, West New York, NJ 07093) is director of the marketing research department of Avon Products in New York. ...**Francie Connolly Barnes** (1816 Huffman Blvd., Rockford, IL 61103) is learning center manager of Opportunities Industrialization in Rockford. ...**John** and **Hope Brown Pribram** are back in Auburn, Maine, after their stint as Vermonters in Norwich. Hope is an educational assistant in Lewiston, Maine, at the Pettingill School. ...A change of address (but no details) arrived from **John** and **Betty Allen Hornbostel**: 2 Red Rose Circle, Darien, CT 06820. ...**Kate Warren DeLong** has changed locations. Still in Reno, her new address is 2241 G. Kietzke Lane, Reno, NV 89502. Both DeLong boys are in Colorado: Doug, a CU grad working in Boulder, and Pete winning a scholarship for his last quarter in art school in Denver. ...Another relocation notice finds **George Pransky** changing coasts—from New York to Lake Connor, Washington (Box 506, zip 98257). ...**Chuck Gately** is president of the LaSalle Computer Corp. in Skokie, Ill. He lives in Glencoe. ...**Dave Gannett**, partner and owner of Smith-Gannett Investments in Seattle has a new Manhattan address—not New York, but Montana (Box 190, 59741). ...News from "Down-East" includes **John Harris** (P.O. Box 202, Sheepscot Road, Newcastle, ME 04553) who owns the Country Farm Furniture Store in Newcastle; and **James Gallagher** (31 Sunrise Terrace, Orono, ME 04473) who is a sociology professor at U. of Maine. ...Randy '61 and **Nancy Gould Clark** are the only loyal 1962 (and 1961) folks we've heard of who made it to the Midwinter Weekend in January. (The secretaries said they'd go and then flaked out!) The Vermont snow was close to non-existent at that time. Nancy is into a new area of commercial real estate in her position with a real estate informational management system at CIGNA. ...Wedding bells are ringing more frequently for the children of '62. One such momentous event occurred in the **Steinle** family in February. Nancy and **John Sinclair** enjoyed a mini-Middlebury-reunion at the wedding of Lynn and **Pete**'s son, Tom '84, which became the source of some news for this column. ...Al '60 and **Jean Yeomans Lamson** are building a house in Virginia. Their son, Jim, who will be a freshman at Middlebury in fall '89, has already broken a record at Midd before arriving: he has 483 relatives who have graduated from the ole school on the hill! ...Fran and **Gil Owren** continue to enjoy living in Summit, N.J. Gil plays basketball, coaches in the youth sports leagues, and maintains a busy law practice. ...Mike '59 and **Lynde Sudduth Karin** enjoy sailing on Lake Champlain, while living in Middlebury.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. R. Peter Johnson (Jane Bachelder), 625 Talamini Road, Bridgewater, NJ 08807, and Robert W. Clarke, 63 Mountain Road, Hampden, MA 01036.*

If you need investment advice in Maine, ask to speak to **John Simpson**, senior vice president at Gouws Capital Management, Inc., in Portland, Maine. He was formerly a senior vice president for investments with Maine National Bank. John and wife Norma have two daughters, Wendy (13) and Jill (11). There wasn't much snow this year in Portland. ...Dee and **W. Kane Phelps** have made a major move—from 809 to 811 Haverford Avenue in Pacific Palisades, Calif. You may remember Kane. At Middlebury he was Walter. Anyway, he and Dee have two children—a son, Jessie (13), and a daughter, Caroline (8). Kane also has a step-son, Chris Lee, who was graduating from Ithaca College this year and has an interesting story. Having traveled to Russia twice, Chris has a romantic interest from Russia whose name is Tanya (of course!) and she has had her visa approved for a visit this summer which they have all been looking forward to—especially Chris. Dee, for those of you who are music buffs, was formerly half of the team Dick and Deedee, a successful singing duo of the 1960s. Kane is a social worker, working primarily with abused and neglected kids. ...Having missed our great reunion, **Helen Geyh Goodman** writes with regrets. Don't worry, Helen—plan now for our 50th! Helen received her law degree in 1979 and, in 1983, became general counsel to Tambrands, Inc., a Fortune 500 company. She is now president and general manager of their Canadian subsidiary, based in Toronto. She and husband Jerry concentrate on careers and family, including a daughter at Boston University and a son applying to Middlebury. Their address is 35 Pond Road, Great Neck, NY 11024 (which makes for an interesting commute to work!) and therefore Helen does alumni interviews for Middlebury in Long Island. ...Hot off the presses and for immediate release, the National Automobile Dealers Association tells us that our own **Charles L. Ffolliott** of Hanover, N.H., has been appointed chairman of the organization's national convention to be held in 1990 in Las Vegas, Nevada. That's what he gets for having been an active member of NADA for 17 years and for serving on its board of directors, etc. This convention is expected to be one of the largest trade conventions staged in the United States with an attendance of 25,000. We all wish you well, Charles—hardly knowing whether congratulations or condolences are in order! ...To continue with some friendships rekindled by reunion, a November get-together included **Bert Weaver**, **Lynn Wilkins Green**, Pete Johnson '62, **Jane Bachelder Johnson**, **Michele Whitney**, and **Dave Carpenter.** In Montclair, N.J., the group saw *Better Living*, a wonderful production by the Whole Theater, featuring Olympia Dukakis who is also the producing artistic director of the Whole Theater. After the play, a great Sunday night supper was provided by Gary and **Lynn Wilkins Green**.

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Class Secretaries: *Catherine Telfair Wright, 7 Wrisley Court, Sussex Place, Essex Junction, VT 05452, and Timothy Y. Hayward, 8 Woodcrest Road, Montpelier, VT 05602.*

You will be reading this column shortly after our 25th Reunion becomes history. Most of our classmates will have attended at least part of the weekend, and almost everyone will have contributed to and read the Old New Faces yearbook. Therefore, this column covers classmates who had indicated that they would be unable to attend the reunion: **Donna Carlstrom Wied**, who works for the Massachusetts Department of Education as a "student rights person," hearing student rights complaints for the Northwestern Region, has a full work schedule which extends into the weekend. We were crossing our fingers that she could get free on Saturday to drive up to Midd from Williamstown, Mass., for the day. ...**Cynthia Chase Vinson** says her busiest time of the week is on Saturday and Sunday, when she and other members of a "Bus Ministry" go into inner city Hartford, Conn., to work with children and their parents one day, and on the following day the children and families come to the Faith Assembly of God by bus. Cindy, who is bookkeeper for the church, is married to Robert, an English professor at Central Connecticut State University. ...**Caroline Tuttle Terenzini**, way down in Athens, Ga., has other plans for the weekend, but she says to say hello to everyone. She did not send in her bio stuff, for which we scolded her, but all is well. She and husband Patrick have a daughter (13) and twin sons (11), all of whom are athletic. Carrie alludes to soccer, swimming, and a lot of front yard football. For three years they have been in Athens where Patrick is a professor of higher education; before that they lived in many different places, all associated with academia. Carrie was in newspapering for 15 years, but has not yet entered the field in Athens. ...**Ann Twitchell Brown** has an APO San Francisco address, **Margot Williams Milosavljevic** lives in Yugoslavia, and **Mary Jocelyn Stock** lives in Hawaii, so we didn't have to ask any further about their reasoning for not attending. ...A smattering of news has come recently: **Stu Campbell** is involved in the fine points of teaching youngsters to ski. As vice president of skier service in Heavenly Valley, Calif., he advises parents that the best ski schools for children are separated from the adult classes and are taught by people who are familiar with child development as well as skiing. ...**Dick Maine** of Bloomfield, Conn., has been named chief investment officer and executive vice president of Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company. Dick has been chief investment officer of CIGNA Corporation since 1985. ...**Susan Easton Hanson**, who is a professor in the graduate school of geography at Clark University, Worcester, Mass., is co-researcher in a project investigating the gender division of labor in a local market. She is trying to ascertain the connection between where women workers are located and occupational segregation. By the way, Susan walks to work in five minutes and her husband **Perry** drives an hour

to Wellesley College where he is head of computer systems, but no one would call her close-to-home job as an urban social geographer "dead end."

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Hamilton S. Gregg (Carolyn Breckenridge), 200 East 94th St., #1817, New York, NY 10128, and Frederick W. Stetson, 10 W. Canal St., Winooski, VT 05404.*

Sue Scammel Carpenter writes that she worked for Cigna Corporation for 17 years, most recently as a director in the group systems department, managing the maintenance of the group medical claim payment system. "Now, I have enrolled in the Smith College School for Social Work, with no idea of becoming a psychotherapist. I have found the change both exciting and challenging. Meanwhile, our oldest son, Scott, is at RPI and our youngest son, Peter, is a high school senior. Our years of involvement in youth hockey and other activities related to the boys seem to be coming to a close. We are preparing for a new phase in our lives." ...**David T. Giddings** has been named general manager of marketing and vice president of Business Imaging Systems (BIS) for Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester, N.Y. Formerly marketing manager for Kodak in the United States and vice president of Kodak's clinical products division, Dave will have worldwide responsibility for the marketing of BIS products. He will also serve as the BIS regional business unit manager in the United States and Canada. Dave joined Kodak soon after graduation from Middlebury, in November 1965, as a micrographics equipment sales representative. Since then, he has held a series of assignments in New York City and Rochester. A native of Pittsfield, Mass., Dave holds an MBA degree from Rider College. ...**Ann Gruhn** writes from Mount Kisco, N.Y., that she, "spent last summer evading deer ticks, playing tennis, and occasionally hiking. Still busily challenged as manager of office text systems at the IBM Thomas J. Watson Research Center. Looking forward to participating in our 25th Reunion." ...**Ruth Friedlander Huart** writes from Croisil, France, that she has "a permanent position in the French university as 'Maitre de Conferences' in English, teaching grammar and phonetics. Work in Paris and live in the country." Her eldest son, David, spent a month in the United States last summer, visiting family and friends. Ruth also had a book published, "combining a 'you're-the-hero' type adventure story for kids with exercises on English grammar. It was fun to do, but I don't see a literary career in store." ...**Peter Holcombe** and wife Kathy now have two sons, Christopher (4) and Benjamin (2). According to Kathy, "Peter plays tennis and paddle tennis regularly and works about 60 hours a week for the Bank of New England, so our lives are full and busy!" ...**Jim Hunt**, an American literature major at Middlebury who has been living and teaching in New Hampshire, returned to the Green Mountains last summer to attend the Bread Loaf School of English. ...**Wendy Peirson Nourjian** and husband Bruce operate the Commodore's Inn in Stowe, Vt. Wendy also teaches skiing to youngsters in the beginning stages of their downhill careers. ...**Doug Rhett** writes from Bartlesville, Oklahoma, that life is not easy in that rain-short neck of the country where he raises pecan trees and works with Phillips Petroleum. "Things seem to be stabilizing somewhat in the oil patches," reports Doug who has "somehow survived four major downturns during the previous six years, and have seen some very fine, capable people devastated. This part of the country is also languishing in low prices for land and agricultural products, and this year the damned drought to top things off. On a more positive note, I'm very proud of my daughters—one (Monica) is at Kansas University. I love my job and the people with whom I work." ...**Craig Smith** tells us he's "still extremely busy at Boston Whaler (home of the world-famous unsinkable boats) as vice president of human resources. Recently completed another successful contract negotiation with the Teamsters. Now spending time between our Florida and Massachusetts operations. Janet and I drove through central and northern Spain with David '68 and Dottie Shea Weinstein '70. Have also vacationed in Cancun and Freeport, Bahamas, with Janet, Eric (17), and Randy (15). Look forward to interviewing area seniors as part of the extensive alumni network assisting the Middlebury admissions office." ...**Betsy Walter-Echols** writes from Sudan that the country is more and more beset by political, military, and economic woes. "About a million 'civil' war refugees from the South seek what security and livelihood they can in Khartoum and other cities. I and my church group have been involved in the building of elementary schools for these Christian 'fringe elements' in the Islamic north, and other direct aid projects aimed at feeding, clothing, and housing flood and war victims. If any classmates or other alumni would like to help, contributions would be gratefully received and used in a meaningful way, with no overhead. I'll be glad to provide more information (P.O. Box 8192, El Amarat, Khartoum, Sudan)." ...**Polly Moore Walters** writes from Fort Collins, Colo., that she teaches at a private school, while her husband, Ken, is still a computer specialist for the United States Department of Agriculture. Their son, Josh, is in the 9th grade, "heavily invested in baseball, volleyball, math, civics, ridin' and girls." Josh, Polly, and Ken all enjoy sailing and trips to Polly's family home on Kauai. ...**Mary Wilson**, assistant to the president at Northern Essex (Massachusetts) Community College, has received a Juris Doctor degree cum laude from Suffolk University Law School. A resident of nearby Amesbury, Mary earlier earned a master's degree in counseling/psychology from Boston University. At Northern Essex, she is responsible for the research, development, planning, publication, public information, and alumni functions of the college. ...*Middlebury Magazine* apologizes to the family of **William B. "Beau" Putney IV** for an error which occurred in his obituary in the spring 1989 issue. Beau's children were mistakenly referred to as "two sons," whereas Robin Putney (22), a student at San Diego State, is Beau's *daughter*. Our apologies to Robin, especially.

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Class Secretaries: *Mr. and Mrs. J. Dudley King (Rita Crocitto), 31 Gull Point Road, Hilton Head, SC 29928.*

Your class secretaries enjoyed a few days in the Middlebury area in mid-January. The purpose of our trip was four-fold: to visit our daughter, Lindsey '90, to see a couple of her basketball games, to touch base with the college (and *real* winter), and to do some family skiing with our younger children. It was an enjoyable and successful trip on all counts! Our daughter was very happy and doing well. The basketball team was having its best season ever as a varsity sport and we saw two impressive, winning games against Norwich and Hamilton. I couldn't help thinking how different these games were from the old half-court girls' basketball we played when we were in school. At one game we ran into Dave Nicholson '67 whose niece Holly Fryberger (familiar last name?) was a sophomore on the team; and Peter '65 and **Lee Hall Delfausse** who were at Midd for some early planning sessions for Peter's 25th reunion in 1990; and Rudolph Haerle who had been Rita's professor in a couple of sociology courses. Our timing was also just right for skiing. The area had received its first real snowfall of the winter and we enjoyed three great days of skiing at Mad River, Sugarbush, and the Snow Bowl. At the Bowl we chatted with **Judy Enright Dunning** who handles the information booth in the lodge and whose husband Dwight '68 heads up the ski school. We also ran into **Lorrie Barstow Love** and her children who were skiing at the Bowl while husband Fran '65 was involved in 25th reunion planning. As always, the College looked fantastic, and we wandered through a couple of the most recently-renovated buildings, Hepburn and Voter. ...We learned that **Don Snyder** has been promoted to the rank of Captain in the U.S. Naval Reserve. Along with the promotion, he was awarded the Navy Commendation Medal for meritorious achievement during his two years as Commanding Officer of the Fleet Intelligence Rapid Support Team Pacific, Naval Air Reserve Center, Minneapolis, Minn. The commendation reads "Commander Snyder's exceptional professional ability, initiative, and loyal dedication to duty reflected great credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service." Don has served in the Naval Reserve since 1966, performing 4-1/2 years on active duty. In civilian life, he is assistant manager of the financial administration department at the Minneapolis Community Development Agency. He and wife Barbara have lived in Burnsville, Minn., since 1972. Daughter Laura is a junior at Burnsville High; Amy and Katie are 9th and 7th graders respectively at Nicollet Junior High. ...**Holly Kasson McGinty** writes, "Since I've been out of touch with Midd for so long, anything I tell you will likely be 'news.' I'll babble a little and you can decide what's newsworthy." Holly moved to Kansas City after her five-year marriage to **Sam Bays** ended in 1971. For 2-1/2 of those years they lived in Japan. In 1975 Holly married Jim McGinty and immediately became a mother and grandmother to his children and grandchildren (3 daughters and now 6 grandchildren). "It's great fun to be a 'granny'!" Holly works part-time as a courier for an area stock brokerage: "We're 45 miles (round trip) from the downtown area, so when they need securities picked up or delivered, I hit the road." Jim works for the postal service, "though he's threatening to retire in a couple of years." The McGintys have property in the southern Missouri Lake Country where they spend warm weather weekends. "We fish and Jim hunts almost everything. After 13 years, I'm not the city-slicker I once was!" She continues, "About a year and a half ago, Chaplain Scott was in town on Middlebury promotional business and we got together for a cup of coffee. What a treat! He was always a favorite Middlebury person for me and it was an enormous pleasure to see him! I was very interested to hear all his news about the College." ...**Len Hodgman** and his wife Judy (Brown) '67 have settled in the quiet rural town of Suffield, Conn. Judy is a teacher in a Head Start program and Len sells paperboard and chemicals. They have a daughter graduating from Lehigh University and a son who is a junior in high school. "Kids and college bills keep us busy." ...**Martha Welch's** book *Holding Time, How to Eliminate Conflict, Temper Tantrums and Sibling Rivalry and Raise Happy Loving Successful Children*, which was published in October 1988 by Simon and Schuster, will be published in paperback in October 1989. The book will also be out in both

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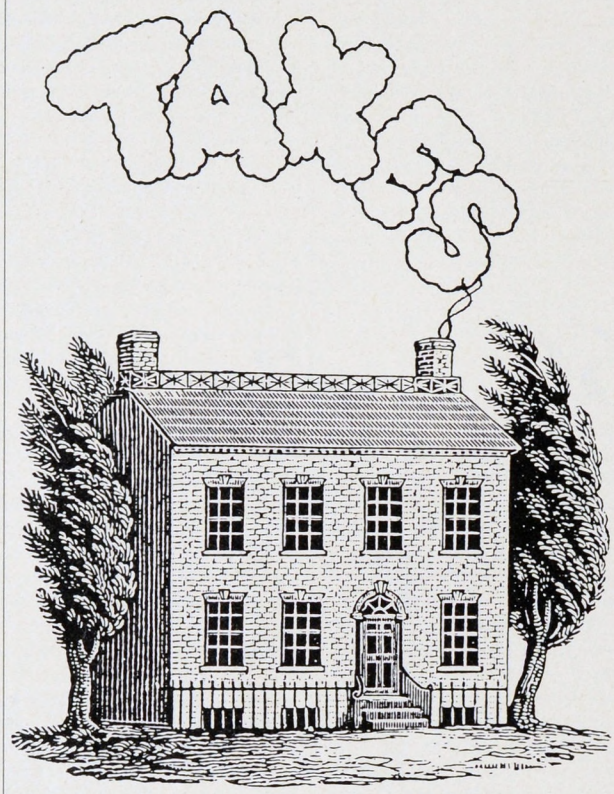

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hard and soft cover in Great Britain this year. Martha has also published a professional paper in *Pennsylvania Medicine*, the journal of the Pennsylvania Medical Society. In November 1988 BBC London aired a two-part TV documentary about her therapy for autistic children. Martha lives with her 8-year-old son, Bram, in New York City, and also in Greenwich, Conn., where she is a clinical director of the Mothering Center. ...**Richard Mills**, Vermont's education commissioner, has called for a top-to-bottom reassessment of public education to prepare Vermont's and America's students for a changing workplace and a more competitive world economy. He said that he and other educators are still at the beginning of what he expects will be sweeping reassessments of the type of training young people should have. While much attention has focused on computer literacy and other forms of training, Rick feels the "purpose of education is not just to prepare people to work. In a democracy we have to prepare people for other roles. They have to carry the burdens of citizenship. They have to be strong and thoughtful human beings." He thinks the first step in examining public administration should be a more systematic assessment of school and student performance. Toward this end, he has proposed that Vermont become the first state in the nation to assess student performance on the basis of work portfolios, as well as test scores. The proposal, which could go into effect by 1991 if it is approved by the state board of education, represents what one expert calls "a new phase" in student assessment. ...After getting his MBA, **Chuck Minnich** spent 20 years in the high tech portion of the printing and publishing industry. He is now busy with a career change, devoting all his efforts to real estate development and more specifically to developing self-service storage facilities in New England. "Our new company, Smartspace, Inc., is busy renting up our first facility in Swansea, Mass., and about ready to begin construction on facility #2 in Bedford, N.H. Wife Wendy and daughter Becky (13) are fine and we ski as much as possible in Waterville Valley, N.H., in winter. Summer recreation is sailing on *Perfect Union*, which we moor at Kingman Marine on Buzzards Bay."

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. William H. Hearne (Deven Hayford), 324 Ayrault Road, Fairport, NY 14450, and Richard E. Roller, c/o Tabor Academy, Marion, MA 02738.*

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Class Secretaries: *Shari Galligan Johnson, 230 Hopkinton Road, Concord, NH 03301, and Bentley C. Gregg, 418 East St., N.E., Vienna, VA 22180.*

Julia Gratiot Peterson is working as an editorial assistant for *Cricket* magazine, an excellent magazine for children. She discovered at reunion that **Sharon Smith**'s daughter, Cristy, has won honorable mention twice in *Cricket*'s art contest. Julie is also playing violin in a community orchestra, teaching Sunday School, doing freelance editorial work, and tutoring homebound students. ...**Norma Greenberg O'Brien** is the director of guidance at Wayland (Mass.) High School. She is also active in community theatre and music (playing the violin and singing). ...**Dick** and Lindy Allen '70 **McMahon** have four children, from 4 to 13 years of age, and spend weekends at their home in Stowe, Vt., activities varying with the season. ...You may have seen **Jim Trombetta**'s work and not realized it, although one alert member of the Class of '69 did and called me. Jim was on the writing staff of *Miami Vice* for the 1985-86 season and has since written for a variety of TV series—check those credits carefully! ...**Jeannine Laverty** helped to start a Waldorf-based private school in Saratoga Springs where her daughter, Katharine (5), is a student. She is also a free-lance storyteller, doing programs for adults and children alike. ...**Ann Draper Brown** is the new principal of Oyster River High School in Durham, N.H., following four years as assistant principal of a Rome, N.Y., high school. ...**Penny Clark Watt** wrote that she was sorry to miss reunion because she and **Mike** were closing on a "new little old Southern California house," but that they would be in Middlebury for our 25th. She is a full-time mom and is studying to meet the California state teaching requirements in English and French. She is taking ballet, mountain biking, and playing lots of tennis. Mike is a VP for Security Pacific in the energy-utilities group. Their son, Mikie (4-1/2), will be entering kindergarten soon. ...**Bob Reed** is pursuing a financial career at Intel Corp. and still golfing in California. ...**Glen Wehrwein** is a CPA and a partner at Shapiro, Weiss & Co. He and wife Susan (Polk) '75 have three children, ages 1 to 6-1/2. ...**Mari Ward McCarty** is the midday host at WILV-FM, an easy listening station in Madison, Wis. She also introduces weekend films at the local PBS station, WHA, in addition to doing free-lance commercial work for radio and TV, and films and tapes for commercial use. Mari manages her two sons' soccer teams, chairs the Sunburst Advisory Board, an organization which provides therapy for emotionally disturbed children and families, and is the national secretary for Zeta Phi Eta, a professional communications organization. ...**John Hoben** has been appointed a three-year trustee of the Bean Foundation, a charitable

trust for Manchester and Amherst, N.H. ...**Peter Lauriat** is a partner in the law firm Peabody & Brown (Boston). He has also served as counsel to the Massachusetts Democratic State Committee. ...Attending Middlebury as legacies (!!!) are Christopher Adshead '91 (son of Gail and **Frank Adshead**), Peter '89 and Christina Bethke '92 (children of **Barbara McHugh Van Drimmelen** and Robert Bethke '67), Jessica Emerson '92 (daughter of Susan and **David Emerson**), and Nicholas Elfner (son of **Norma Greenberg O'Brien** and Chip Elfner '66). ...With great sadness, we must inform you that **Peter A. Laudati, III**, died on March 4, 1989. The following anonymous poem seems to capture the essence of Peter: "Do not stand by my grave and weep./ I am not there, I do not sleep./ I am a thousand winds that blow./ I am a diamond glint on snow./ I am the sunlight on ripened grain./ I am the gentle autumn rain." Shortly after his death, his former wife, Jean Mollicone, Jack Baldwin (a friend of Peter and Jean's) and **Gary Thompson** (a former roommate and fraternity brother of Peter's) skiied as a team in Peter's memory in a benefit race at Attitash Ski Area to raise money for the Jimmy Heugga Center located in Colorado, which is dedicated to reanimating the physically challenged. These efforts, which are expected to continue on a annual basis, are a fitting tribute to our active, warm, and universally respected classmate. A memorial appears elsewhere in this magazine.

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Class Secretaries: *Wendy Cole Singleton, 16109 Chalfont Circle, Dallas, TX 75248, and Lynn Markham Beebe, 12 Summerwood Road, W. Simsbury, CT 06092.*

Well, it's official! We have been college graduates for twenty (count them) years!! Sort of makes you feel like a grown up! ...**Amelia Burnham Kerrigan** (260 Amity St., Amherst, MA 01002) has left her private practice of psychiatry in Chevy Chase, Md., and has joined the mental health department at the Greenfield (Mass.) Health Center of Kaiser Permanente. Amelia earned her medical degree at Cornell University Medical School in New York, served her residency at the University of Virginia Hospital and is board certified in psychiatry. ...**Juliane Wallace** writes that she is working in real estate finance at Banker's Trust Company in New York and enjoying her three children—Jeff (4), Steve (3), and Sarah Elizabeth (1). She and her husband, Mark Hughes, enjoy sailing at their summer home on Shelter Island and traveling in Europe. ...**Terry Pindell**, who has built two houses from scratch and served two years on the Keene (N.H.) City Council, has quit his position as chairman of the English department at Keene High School, where he has taught English for 17 years, to finish writing a book on American railroads. He took the 1987-88 school year off to do research for his book, traveling 35,000 miles and riding every passenger train in the U.S. He thought his book would center on history and geography, but it has instead developed into a sort of travelogue focusing on the people he met on the trains. We'll be watching for the book, *Making Tracks*, to be published soon by Weidenfeld and Nicolson, the non-fiction branch of Grove Press. Terry lives in Keene with wife Nancy and their daughters, Katie and Molly. ...It was nice to hear from **Jamie Johnson** who is very happy working as an attorney at the law firm of Kramer, Brufsky & Cifelli in Southport, Conn., specializing in trademarks and copyrights. She says, "Anyone who remembers what a wimp I was at Middlebury (never took a gym clas) won't believe it, but I've become a pretty hot cyclist in the veteran category. I've won various running and cycling trophies, the most recent being third place in the Tour de Greenwich 1988." Way to go!

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Class Secretaries: *J. Ashley Cadwell, RD 1, Box 56, Orchard Lane, Middlebury, VT 05753, and Thomas de Rogatis, 135 West 70th St., New York, NY 10023.*

First things first. Brother **DeRo** submits following alert: June 1-3, 1990, is our 20th Reunion. Make plans now. We've already booked Tony Shaw and his band, "The Throbulators." ...As all you *Journal* or *Times* subscribers probably noticed in December, our class agent and co-secretary **Thomas DeRogatis** has come out of retirement to become the municipal securities trading executive for Chase Manhattan Corp, a newly-created post that puts him in charge of distribution of the bank's municipal finance department. We all extend our hearty congratulations—mostly for his *15-month* retirement. ...In case you didn't know, our bird watcher extraordinaire, **Richard Park** (you recall his report of the rare sighting of the "buff-breasted nut cracker"), is presently the vice president and manager of human resources for Howard Bancorp in Burlington, Vt. ...**Richard Browning** has been named director of external development and finance for General Foods Worldwide Coffee & International. He's been with the Company 16 years, loyalty even Jerry Alaimo would be proud of. Rick and his family live in Greenwich, Conn. ...A Southwest Harbor, Maine, cousin of mine (**Ashley Cadwell**) sent a picture from the *Bangor Daily News* of none other than **James E. Patterson**. He appears as the lawyer reviewing testimony on an after-the-fact demolition permit—in order that the offending party could continue work erecting a new summer cottage on the site. Never a dull moment in the life of a country lawyer. ...Great letter from **Doug Haneline** (17389 Garfield Road, Big Rapids, MI 49307). "Biggest news is that Ellen and I are suddenly parents! We adopted two Korean sisters, 4 and 3 years old. Since we were both 39 when we became parents you can imagine that we had to make a tremendous adjustment. We have, and after 11 months the girls generally make us wonder what we did with all the free time we must have had before we had children. Ellen and I are still at Ferris State University in Big Rapids, Mich., (since 1984) where Ellen directs the programs in medical record science and I am associate professor of English (science fiction and American literature). I also teach medical writing and this year am the president of the Michigan chapter of the American Medical Writers Association. That's the news from Lake Wobegon, I guess." ...Saw **John Swenson** and **Kingsley Parker** in Mr. Up's on March 3. They were up for a weekend of skiing, escaping from computer work for Bell Labs and painting (forthcoming exhibit in Soho). ...Talked to **Michael Cudahy** in Phoenix. More on him later after my visit in April.

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Class Secretaries: *Paula Morgan Wyman, RD 1, Box 1395, Arlington, VT 05250, and Gay Mann Folland, RFD 1, Box 180-2A1 Tasker Hill Road, Conway, NH 03818.*

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Class Secretaries: *Judy McCormack Culhane, P.O. Box 25864, Honolulu, HI 96825, and William E. Carlough, 54 Pleasant Ave., Pleasantville, NY 10570.*

Bill Sheperdson has been promoted to manager of public information for the New England Power Pool after serving almost four years as communications administrator. He will continue to direct both internal and external communications projects. ...**Chris Downs**, formerly senior vice president in charge of consumer banking with the Chase Manhattan Bank in Maryland, has been named Chase Manhattan's new general manager for the U.S. and British Virgin Islands. ...**Chris Lecko Mann**, husband Frank '74 and their children, Joshua (13) and Sarah (7), are residing in Caracas, Venezuela. Chris is the computer coordinator at Escuela Campo Alegre, an international school. ...**Michael Reed** (317 W. Blaine St., Seattle, WA 98119) completed his Ph.D. dissertation ("An Ethnological Study of the Political Economy of Ndjole, Gabon") in sociocultural anthropology in August 1988 at the University of Washington, Seattle. ...**Pat Cashman** and husband Jim Trexler welcomed twins, Charles Cashman Trexler and Susan Cashman Trexler on October 26, 1988. ...In recognition all of the time and effort **Martha Armstrong Stamp** has put into special events for students and staff as resource room teacher at Searsport (Maine) Junior/Senior High School, she has received their Outstanding Service Award. ...Mike '70 and **Kathy Page Willis**, and daughters Brooke (10) and Sara (8), welcomed James Keena Willis (Jamie) on January 19, 1989.

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Class Secretary: *Mary Farley, 27 Horseshoe Road, Mount Kisco, NY 10549.*

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Class Secretary: *Peter Colton, 1381 Arona St., St. Paul, MN 55108.*

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Class Secretaries: *Becca Gustafson Brown, 1 Roseland Road, Worcester, MA 01609, and Tony MacDonald, 313 5th St. NE, Washington, DC 20002.*

Barbara Booth has moved to the Dominican Republic (C.R.E.A.R., Rio Limpio, Loma de Cabrera, Dominican Republic) where she is working on an agricultural development project utilizing biodynamic farming methods. She is joined by her husband, Greg Schultz Booth, and their 22-month-old daughter, Celeste. ...Major **Kathy Smith Ward** and husband John left Washington, D.C., in June '88 and have been reassigned to signal and aviation jobs in Wurzberg, Germany. They will be stationed there until June of '91. They can be reached by writing HHC, 72nd FA BDE, APO New York 09047. ...The alumni office has notified us of the following less exotic moves: **Geno Concepcion** (380 Hitchcock Road, #30, Waterbury, CT 06705); **Gordon Jamieson** (3430 Ault View #2, Cincinnati, OH 45208); **Joel Smith** (3000 N. Sheridan Road, # 120, Chicago, IL 60657); and **John Garrett** (70 Stoneham Road, Rochester, N.Y. 14625). ...**Tom Rappa** was recently confirmed as a Special Justice in New

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Hampshire's Lincoln District Court. After starting his own construction firm, Tom went back to law school and graduated from the Franklin Pierce Law Center in 1986. He lives with wife Diane and two sons, Cristopher and Craig, in Bath, N.H., where he has served as the Town Moderator since 1986. ...Congratulations and best wishes to several new parents: A son, Ian, was born on January 14, 1989, to **Heather Briggs** and her husband, Peter Erly. ...**Ellie Davie** and husband Jim Leavitt were joined by a daughter, Jennifer, on November 30, 1988. ...Dr. **Russ Marrazzo III** wrote to tell us of the birth of his second son, Nicholas John, on December 28, 1988. ...**Meredith Parsons** returned to Vermont in January to star in performances of *Hansel and Gretel* in Brattleboro, Middlebury, and Rutland. The production was sponsored by the Middlebury College Opera Workshop and the Brattleboro Opera Theatre. Meredith, who made her Metropolitan Opera debut last year, will perform this year in the Met productions of Wagner's *Das Rheingold* and *Gotterdammerung*. ...On campus, **Caroline Donnan**'s efforts with the Middlebury admissions office to reach out to rural students has attracted the attention of the *New York Times*. The *Times* reported that Caroline's activities, which are intended to spread word about Middlebury and the value of liberal arts education, took her to places with names like Wisdom High School in Saint Agatha, Maine, and Hope High School in North Dakota. ...Incredibly, the next reunion in June '90 will be our 15th. Planning has already begun to make it a great one, so mark your calendars and call your friends to make sure they are coming.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Jonathan L. Drake (Cathy Colton), 546 Hilaire Road, St. Davids, PA 19087, and Jim Vear, 5222 W. Winona, Chicago, IL 60630.*

As you probably did NOT notice above, my (**Jim Vear**'s) address has changed. Although it may only appear to be a slight difference in number, street, and zip code, let me assure you that this was as difficult a change as moving across the country. My wife, Amy, and I had lived at our apartment for six years, which is more than enough time to accumulate an overabundance of "things." Going through all of those possessions (including an array of Middlebury memorabilia) to decide what to keep and what to give away was probably the most traumatic part of the move. (Parting, even with old "things," is such sweet sorrow.) Since our new house has a full basement, we now have plenty of room for collecting a whole new generation of "things!" ...And while we're on the subject of class secretaries, Jon and **Cathy Colton Drake** have a new addition to their family. Julia Kingsley Drake was born January 10, 1989, much to the delight (???) of her siblings, Nathaniel and Christina. When asked about the eventual number of children in the Drake household, Cathy had this to say: "Three is a *very* lovely number!" ...**Sally Russell** (30 Harvard St., Arlington, MA 02174) has resurfaced with some very pleasant news about her recent past and present. "After a year of being a single mother (Christopher, age 9), I took a vacation to Bermuda where I met Rodney Lowe, an Englishman who was working in computers there. We communicated through the mail, telephone lines, and airplanes every six weeks for a year and a half, and were married June 18, 1987. Doesn't this all sound romantic? It was and it still is!! I have worked in the computer programming field for seven years at various companies, and have now been at Polaroid for four years. I love the work, am managing people, and run the computer systems for one of the industrial film plants. We live in Arlington, I drive 10 minutes to work, and Rodney subcontracts his computing skills. With the birth of Bethany Edith Lowe (12/19/88) I have felt the need to recontact old friends, so here I am—waiting for old friends to contact me!" ...Still more news from Massachusetts: **Isabel Vock Hart** has been promoted to assistant vice president, planning and analysis, for T.J. Maxx stores, headquartered in Natick. She has been with the company for six years, most recently as manager of planning and analysis. Isabel received her M.B.A. from Boston University, and still resides in Hopkinton. ...Also holding a new job is **Leslie Klein**. She is now the associate executive director for the U.S. Canoe and Kayak Team. Since the team's home base is Colorado Springs, Leslie was "forced" (QUITE unwillingly, I'm sure!!!) to move there. Her new address is 1034 N. Cedar St., Colorado Springs, CO 80866. ...**Marion Adler** has joined the ranks of other home-owning suburbanites. She and husband Dave McCormick '74 and their son, Michael ("thriving" at 18 months), now live at 530 N. Linden, Oak Park, IL 60302. Last fall Marion became a partner at Kirkland & Ellis, where she has been toiling away for almost seven years.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Eric L. Peters (Libet Campbell), 140 Prospect Ave., #7B, Hackensack, NJ 07601, and Mr. Robert C. Lindberg, 6 Jefferson St., E. Granby, CT 06026.*

Todd Ellison reports that after a year in Boulder, Colo., it still proves to be Camelot in some respects. Working through a grant from the National Archives, he heads up a project to organize and preserve old photos and papers about Boulder. The past year has been quite full with a triathalon, a week of indulging in Singapore, and, of course, good Colorado powder skiing. ...**Bill Thickstun** has also been busy. He and Margie welcomed their first child, John William Thickstun, on September 6, 1988. Margie is teaching at Hamilton College with Bill filling in as necessary. Bill is also doing computer work with **Aaron Abend** and has his hands full with household projects on a 120-year-old colonial. As a new parent and homeowner, Bill describes it as "frantic, but fun." ...**Josh Mailman** is actively involved in creating a business association called Social Venture Network. He is looking for successful entrepreneurs and prominent business people who are committed to social action and socially responsible business. He is also continuing with Threshold Foundation, which he founded seven years ago, and which is now a full-fledged public charity. ...**Cindy Lindegren Green** and her husband welcomed a daughter, Hillary Lauren Green, on July 16, 1988. In addition to Hillary and Emily (3), Cindy is kept busy with volunteer activities. She is leading a lobbying effort against National Park Service expansion in Concord and it keeps her quite active. ...After eight years in New York, **Josie Ottman** moved to Boston where she works for Technical Data International, a financial software firm, and runs into many fellow Midd alums. Josie says Boston is great, hectic, and fun. ...**Bill Straus** made a strong run in his first effort for political office in Massachusetts. Though unable to unseat the incumbent, Bill was very happy with the issue-oriented race that gave him a chance to talk about the subjects he felt important. He is looking forward to new opportunities in the political arena. ...**Frank Sesno**, CNN, may find certain aspects of his job more enjoyable with the new administration. While on location in Florida, Frank sent then-President-Elect Bush a note inviting him to join reporters in "an off-the-record cognac." Bush's note of thanks declined the invitation because of an early fishing date. ...**Sandra Koch** married Timothy McFarren on May 7, 1988. She asks: Where are you **Sue Pendleton**? ...**Carol McAfee Arnsdorf** has recently completed her second novel. Her first, *The Climbing Tree*, was to be published by St. Martin's Press recently. Although admitted to practice law in Maryland and Washington, D.C., Carol finds writing and caring for her two-year old daughter, Kaitlyn, more rewarding. ...**Richard Wheelock** married Guadalupe Preston on October 8, 1988. Their honeymoon included a five-day trip along the Inca Trail in Peru. Anne Colton '80, was also on the same trip. Her older brother, Peter '74, and Richard's brother, Philip

David Gilrain '79 married Joan Tennyson on May 1, 1988, at the University of Virginia Chapel in Charlottesville. Middlebury friends who shared in the celebration included (from left) Mary Porter Wright '79, Peter Owens '79, Jon Glass '79, Duke McCabe, Gretchen Hund McCabe '79, Steve (K.B.) Voorhees '80 (top), John Wright '79, Debbie Rubin, Chad Mollica '79, Jason Rubin '79, Beth Mollica, Doug Easten '79, Mary Louise Catania Esten '80, Grant Cushing '79, and Gina Cushing.

Middlebury friends and well-wishers at the September 10, 1988, marriage of Marijane Tuohy '77 and Drew Knowland '71 included (from left) Marty Johnson Moore '57, Ken Moore '57, Martha Fernald Groves '77, Debby Power '78, the newlyweds, John Tuohy '71, Lucia Batchelder Pam; '78, and Brink Lowery '71.

The October 10, 1987, wedding of Nancy Rome '78 and Nicholas von Maltzahn in Baltimore, Md., brought together (front row, from left) Liz Tayntor Gowell '78, Becky Post '78, Cappy Jackson '77, Bo Duer Price '79, David Price, the newlyweds, Jennifer Brown '78, Annie Baetjer '80, (back row) Bob Dewitt '78, Alison Betts Dewitt '78, Andy DeVries '78, Rob Ross '78, Jeff Plank '78, and Walter Baetjer '78. Betsy Baetjer Meyer '76 and Blythe Hamer '78 missed the photo.

Married in the shadow of Mount Hood (Oregon) on August 20, 1988, Rick Legro '79 describes the Middlebury turnout as "meager but loyal": (from left) Jeff Legro '82, Peter Owens '79, Rick and Mimi Brodeur Legro (Hamilton '82), Billy Grassie '79, and Dan Jacobs '79.

Mark Panella and Sue Follett '80 celebrated their marriage on October 9, 1988.

'76, were fraternity brothers at Midd. Both Richard and Guadalupe work as poverty law attorneys for the Legal Assistant Foundation of Chicago. ...**Andrew McInnes** was recently named assistant director for Lands Programs of the Merrimack River Watershed Council. Andrew brings a master's degree from Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies, as well as extensive experience, to the job. He was previously associated with the Connecticut River Watershed Council, the National Park Service, and the Delaware River Basin Commission. ...**Andrew L. Siegel**'s new address is 140 Prospect Ave., #7B, Hackensack, NJ 07601. He had been living in Manhattan Beach, Calif. ...**Connie Vial** married Tom Green on June 25, 1988. She is still the executive director of the River Valley Playhouse and Arts Center in Putney. Her husband is director of student life at the Greenwood School, a junior boarding school for dyslexic boys. Among the guests at their wedding were a number of Midd alums, including **Lynn Dyer**, **Debbie Adams Leavitt**, **Dennis Parker**, **Steve Procter**, **Tom Martyn**, **Diane Daily,** and **Lucinda McGovern.** The ceremony was officiated by Eliot Daley, former assistant chaplain at Middlebury. Our thanks to those who wrote; we hope to hear from the rest of you soon. Best wishes for an enjoyable summer.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Arthur Hancock, Jr. (Lucy Newell), 15 Amber Road, Hingham, MA 02043, and Robert K. Race, 21 Willowdale Road, Topsfield, MA 01983.*

Greg Kammerer's artwork is drawing rave reviews in Rhode Island and elsewhere. The Mid Bay Framery in Jamestown, R.I., recently announced Greg's new release, "Still Listening," and offered a limited number of his signed and numbered lithographs. ...**John Crawford** married Colleen McLean of St. Paul, Minn., on October 11, 1986. Both **Bob Davis** and Dana Tufts '77 were at the wedding. John is practicing law while living in Minnetonka, Minn., and helping to raise Williams Gray Crawford, born November 20, 1988. ...Rumor has it that **Bob Dahl** is selling junk bonds in New York. ...**Masha Nordbye** (aka Mary Beth), an accomplished producer-writer, spent much of the past two years filming and traveling throughout the Soviet Union. She became very interested in the Russian Circus when she worked on the National Geographic special *Inside the Soviet Circus*. Masha also helped produce the Moscow segment of *Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood Goes to Russia*. Masha has worked and traveled throughout 70 countries, covering 20,000 miles in Russia, and she has visited areas of the Soviet Union which few Westerners have ever seen. She is now writing a book on the Russian Circus while working with Disney Enterprises on a Mickey Mouse Russian film festival, which will air on the Disney channel. ...**Linda Greene Ortwein**, now a Certified Management Consultant, was recently elected a member of the Institute of Management Consultants. A principal of Kurt Salmon Associates, Inc., of New York, Linda's practice includes providing services in the areas of corporate planning, marketing strategy and implementation, organization development, and import/export strategy for apparel, footwear, home products, and related industries. She is a member of the Harvard Business School Club of New York, is listed in the 1988 edition of *Who's Who in the East*, and is co-author of the article entitled "Organizing for Change" which appeared in the September 1988 edition of *Apparel Industry Magazine*. Linda lives in New York City with husband Tom and daughter Jessie. ...Last winter, Naturalist **Ed Kanze** spent two months in New Zealand conducting research for a book about that country. He was part of a team studying the genetics of the tuatara, a rare reptile whose ancestors date back two million years and which is extinct everywhere in the world except on a few New Zealand islands. Prior to this trip, Ed spent four years as the curator of the Trailside Nature Museum at the Ward Pound Ridge Reservation in Connecticut. Now pursuing a career in writing, Ed continues to write his Suburban Naturalist column for the *Ridgefield Press* and to advocate the protection of wildlife and parks. ...**Maureen Hays** married Dick Mitchell on August 27, 1988, at her family homestead on Cuba Lake, N.Y., culminating a four-year long-distance romance which at times spanned states, continents, and hemispheres. They are living in Grafton, Mass., where Mo is completing her dissertation in cultural and economic geography, and Dick is working for Data General. ...**Matt Johnson** (Matthew S.), who spent two years at Middlebury and graduated from Washington University in St. Louis in 1978, was in India for five weeks last winter as part of a Rotary Foundation Group Study Exchange Program sponsored by the Austin, Texas, chapter of Rotary International. One of a team of five, Matt studied the economic, social, and cultural life of India. Upon returning to Austin, he spoke to various civic organizations about his experiences. Matt is an assistant vice-president in the commercial lending division at the Austin office of MCMB Texas National Bank.

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Class Secretaries: *Margaret A. Paine, P.O. Box 1522, Manchester Center, VT 05255, and Tiffany Nourse Sargent, P.O. Box 333, Middlebury, VT 05753.*

Dave Gilrain writes that he and Joan Tennyson were married May 1, 1988, in Charlottesville, Va. A graduate of Virginia Commonwealth University, Joan works for the University of Virginia in Charlottesville where Dave has been working as a dentist since 1983. A host of Middlebury people helped Dave and Joan celebrate, including **John** and **Mary Porter Wright, Peter Owens, Jon Glass** and wife Janet Gross, **Gretchen Hund McCabe** and husband Duke, Steve (KB) Voorhees '80, **Jason Rubin** and wife Debbie, **Chad Mollica** and wife Beth, **Doug** and Mary Louise "Weegie" Cafania '80 **Esten**, and **Grant Cushing** and wife Gina. ...Thanks to **Jeff Anderholm** (87 Western Ave., Essex, MA 01929) who not only wrote to say he's alive and well living near Boston, but he filled us in on the comings and goings of other classmates as well. Jeff writes, "I went off to Germany just after graduation where I lived with **Lee Litzenberger** and his parents over the summer. After that, I did the Eurailpass route (losing 30 lbs.), returning to the States just before Christmas." Jeff reports that he hasn't heard from Lee since he joined the Foreign Service in Algeria, which sounds exciting. Write us and let us know the details, Lee! Next, Jeff moved to Ann Arbor, Mich., where he worked as a technical writer in the computer business. He continues, "In 1982, I relocated to Boston, bringing along my future wife, Terri. For about one and a half years I was the marketing communications manager at a small, now defunct start up. Then, I was fortunate enough to be among the first to join a brand new software company called Lotus. Five years later, I'm still here and Lotus is the largest developer of microcomputer software in the world." Jeff is product manager for a line of next generation products. Duncan Law '77 and Jennifer Strayton Clark '81 also work at Lotus. Jeff and Terri Waltner were married in March 1985. A Boston College graduate, Terri is director of compliance for a Boston-based discount brokerage firm. In February 1988 they moved to Essex, a town on Cape Ann near Gloucester, where they are renovating a 140-year-old schoolhouse. Jeff often sees **Peter Hollands**, who has a master's in public policy from Tufts and is working as a financial analyst for the City of Boston public facilities department. He also sees **Bill** and **Kim Ulrich Whelan** and **Hamish Blackman**. "Bill is a pinstriped corporate lawyer type at Hale & Dorr in Boston. Kim found the answer to her grueling management consultant's lifestyle: motherhood. Baby Mark Whelan was born just this year. Hamish continues to dance and lead the bohemian life with his wife, Janet." Last, but not least, Jeff reports that **Anne Barney** is happily married to

Steve van Order and living in Baltimore. ...**Peg Rice Hodgkins** (1021 Bloomfield St., Hoboken, NJ 07030) is putting Russian to good use teaching English as a Second Language to Russian emigres. She is affiliated with the New York Association for New Americans in New York City. Peggy and her husband, Robinson, have two children, Leland (born December 12, 1985) and Alice Stewart (born January 20, 1988). While enjoying kids, skiing, and travel, they are also involved in the Episcopal vestry. Like many classmates who have written to us recently, Peg calls becoming a parent her "greatest joy" of the last ten years. ...Happily, Helen and **Mike Sirois** and their two boys (Eric Michael, born 1/27/83, and Benjamin Atkins, born 10/22/85) are returning to the U.S. this summer after several years in Germany where Mike was an army doctor. Unfortunately, their return won't be until after the reunion. Mike has been a family practice physician in Mettingen, West Germany, where he was named family practice resident of the year in 1986. He has moved five times since graduation and will make a sixth move in July, when he sets up a practice in Montpelier. ...Since graduation, **Susan Bender** has earned M.P.P and J.D. degrees from Harvard, spent a year in Tokyo at a Japanese law firm, and worked on the independent counsel investigation of Lyn Nofziger and Ed Meese. She is now a lawyer at Cleary, Gottlieb in Washington, D.C. ...Robert and **Judith Russ Habasevich**, married last October, are now living in Glenside, Pa. ...**Henry Heyburn**'s new address is RFD 2, Box 266, South Harpswell, ME 04079. The Alumni Office computer reports that he's the head nordic ski coach at Bowdoin. ...**Beth Ackerman** (52 Sidney Place, #3F, Brooklyn NY 11201) is doing free-lance work in communications and film. ...**Carolyn Barker** is also living in New York (2350 Broadway, NY 10024), working as a freelance actress. ...Also doing freelance work, but of the writing and editorial kind, is **Karen Cassedy** (5429 Connecticut Ave., NW, #307, Washington, DC 20015). ...**Ron Biedermann** and Lucinda Bain were married September 10, 1988, in the Stowe Community Church. Ron and Lucinda are both investment brokers with Dean Witter. Bill McLaughry '80 and **Jeff Tucker** were ushers. ...Just over a month later, on October 22, 1988, **Susan Huffman** and Jeffrey Boal said their vows. They're living in Darien. ...**Dave Barton** is living at 11 Dibble Street in nearby Rowayton. He works in sales and marketing for Digital Equipment. ...Also in marketing is **Kim Collins Parizeau** (3620 Independence Ave., #20, St. Louis Park, MN 55412). She's a marketing/product manager for General Mills. ...**Curtis Singleton** (1202 White Oak Drive, Athens, GA 30606) is working for the Georgia State Senate Office in Atlanta. ...**Elibet Moore Chase** (35 Hopkins Road, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130) is director of marketing for Chapel Hill Chauncy Hall School in Waltham. ...**David Hayase** is living in Plainsboro, N.J. ...The big eight accounting firm of Deloitte Haskins & Sells has appointed **Mike Souza** manager in the health-care consulting group. ...**Ted Kramer** opened his own law office in Brattleboro last fall. Ted earned a law degree at Georgetown then worked for Crispe & Crispe in Brattleboro for five years. ...Also in Brattleboro are **Didi Cummings** and **Steve Carmichael**.

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Class Secretaries: *Macy Lawrence Ratliff, 7540 37th Ave. NE, #203, Seattle, WA 98115, and Melisa Stern, 39-1/2 Seminary St., Middlebury, VT 05753.*

Thanks to all of you who have sent us news of your lives. To those from whom we haven't heard recently, please drop us a line. ...**Pamela Blake** is a secondary market manager of Abington Savings Bank, where she is responsible for the supervision of loans in the secondary market. Pam continues to live in Boston. ...**Kelley Shea** has been appointed senior manager at Ernst and Whinney in Boston. Kelley and her husband, Terence Breen, are living in Mendon. ...**Doug Wheeler** has left Hilton Head, S.C., where he was a sales manager at Hotel-Continental to head for California where he was named national sales director of LaCosta Hotel and Spa. Doug is living in Encinitas. ...**Bill Davis** has been busy running the Quabbin Bald Eagle Hacking Project at Quabbin Reservoir near New Salem, Mass., a program designed to restore nesting eagles in the state. This was a seven-year undertaking in which 41 endangered eagles were raised in captivity from a young age, tagged with radio transmitters, and then released. Bill has been involved with the project since its inception in the spring of '82, including building the 40-foot tower which was home to the birds, capturing the last of the project's eagles from Cape Breton Island in Nova Scotia, and feeding, weighing, and monitoring the birds' growth on a daily basis. On August 8, 1988, Bill released the last of the eagles, marking the end of the seven-year program, though he has continued to monitor the birds' activities throughout the winter. ...**Macy Lawrence Ratliff** still enjoys life in Seattle and anticipated receiving her master's degree in June. ...Living in Burlington, **Alden Cadwell** reports that he is "still trading securities, or is it training security guards?" ...Since graduating from Columbia with her MBA, **Cristy Ballou**, (41 Upton St., Boston, MA 02118) has moved to Boston with her husband, Russell Brackett '79. Cristy is an asset manager with Copley Real Estate Advisors. ...**Anne Colton** has been traveling between Boston and New York for Price Waterhouse, but she managed to find time to take a trip to Peru last fall where she ran into Rick Wheelock '77. They both made it to the top of "Dead Woman's Pass," a climb of about 13,000 feet in the Andes! ...**Kim Wilson** is a lawyer in Helena, Montana, specializing in environmental issues and representing Common Cause. ...Charlie '82 and Karin von Berg Noyes '81 are in their third year at The Hotchkiss School in Lakeville, Conn. Charlie teaches art and is head of their dormitory which houses 9th- and 10th-grade girls. Karin is still active coaching cross-country running, cross-country skiing, and track in the spring. She is also president of the board of the day care center at Hotchkiss, a new venture on campus. Besides all the teaching and coaching, Karin and Charlie are kept busy with their own children, Megan (3-1/2), Nicholas (1-1/2), and Merrick (born February 9). Karin and Charlie attended **Rendy Barlow**'s wedding last fall where there was a sizable Midd contingency, including **Patty Wiley** and **Phelps Hoyt**, and their daughter, Luisa; **Paul** and **Nancy Cochran Crochiere** and their daughter, Danielle; Robin and **Mike Harris** and their daughter; and **Pete Horowicz** and his wife. ...**Mary Norton** married Thomas Rohrer on August 20, 1988, in Southport, Maine. Mary, who received her MD from the University of Washington School of Medicine in Seattle, is a third-year resident in obstetrics and gynecology at New England Medical Center in Boston. Her husband, also a graduate of the University of Washington, is a photographer in Cambridge, where Mary and Thomas are living. ...September 1, 1988, was the date **Susie Estes** and Friedrick Jochen Wolter were married in East Falmouth, Mass. Formerly with the Bank of Boston where she was a senior auditor in London, Susie is now an auditor with Goodyear International in Cologne, West Germany. A graduate of the University of Freiburg, Friedrick is a lawyer who serves as the assistant secretary in the Office of the Spokesman of the West German government. Susie and Friedrick spent their honeymoon in Vermont and are now living in Bonn (Johannesstrasse 72B, 5300 Bonn 3, West Germany). ...**Sue Follett** and Mark Panella (Dartmouth '78) were married on October 9, 1988, in Easton, Pa. **Sally Biggar Terrell** was a bridesmaid for Sue. **Kris Mix Myer** and **Judy Kula** were among the guests. Judy has been appointed senior vice president of sales for the eastern sales region of Maxwell Communication Corporation of Greenwich, Conn. Sue left Bain and Company in September for GJM, Inc., designers and manufacturers of intimate apparel and fine lingerie, for Victoria's Secret and other specialty chains, located in Newburyport, Mass. She is working in general management, sales manage-

Seattle was the setting for a Middlebury wedding on July 2, 1988, when Marie Richardson and Michael Hoffman, both '81, were married. Celebrants included (from left, top row) Keith Richardson, Neil McKittrick, Brian Goldman '82, Carlos Bermudez '81, Joel Mode, Orion Mode, Martin Zanghi, Catherine Haas, David Abend '80, Sally Abend, Marie Jones, Joanne Itskovitz '81, (bottom row) Wayne Richardson (with dog), Karen Hoffman, Jane Hoffman '86, Susan Stone (Middlebury School in France '80), Marie and Michael, Christine Raskin, Daniel Rakin, Peter Raskin '81, and James Jones.

On July 24, 1988, at the Inn at Longshore in Westport, Conn., the wedding party of Karen Weiner (Hamilton '82) and Doug Rich '81 included (from left) Karen Rich, Steve Willis '81, Lynn Matthews, Sandor Black, Felicia Yanger, Charlie Tipper '81, Megan Crowley, the newlyweds, Bryan Rich '87, Heidi Gaede, Rob Higgins '81, Lisa Beck, Chris West '81, Jill Friedman, Kenny Weiner, Alison Roth, and Pierce Onthank. Karen and Doug reside in New York City.

A Middlebury throng attended the wedding of Sally Burke '84 and Mike McNamara '82 on September 10, 1988: (first row) Michael Haynes '81, Chris Higgins '83, Martha Turnbull Higgins '85, (second row) Barry McPherson '88, the newlyweds, Robin Harris '84, Dan Burke (father of the bride), Chip Clark, Caroline Woodhouse '84, Maryanne Herlihy '84, Jack Thomas '83, Frank Nelson '80, Jeff Thomas '85, (third row) Neal Ringquist '84, Bill Boscow '84, Kimberly Schlegel Boscow '84, Mark MacInerney '85, Ellen O'Toole '84, Dave Morton '85, Ed McGrath '82, Nora Cregan '84, Gil Amaral '82, Meryl Capone '84, Mary Dolbear '84, Ellen Shammash Hotvedt '84, Jenni Blake '86, Hussey Desmond '82, Brian Currie '83, Chip Kenyon '82, Jeff Johnson '83, Hannah Felton Lyons '82, John Lyons '82, Toby Daley '85, (fourth row) Jeff Scanlon '83, Jeff Connolly '84, Dan Higgins '83, Roy Giarrusso '83, Frank Burke '83, Jennifer Pattee '84, Cecil Marlowe '84, Kelly Morgan '84, Joe Sullivan '84, Brian O'Sullivan '84, Mike Rich '84, Ron Klein '84, Jeff Fisher '82, Margaret Goebel Fisher '84, (fifth row) Dave Friedman '83, Mark Fernberg '80, Jeff Angers '80, P.J. Murphy '81, Ted Virtue '82, Dani Shaw Virtue '82, and Martha Keena Baldwin '84. Missing from the photo were Tom Baldwin '84, Susan Meier Burke '82, Dennis Boyle '84, Lisa Herbster '86, Beau Coash '82, Steven Ford '84, Michael Gibbs '82, Jennifer Karin Clegg '85, Paul Leahy '83, Gary Prolman '83, Tom Steinle '84, Kenn D'Arcy '84, Mark Stone '82, and Tom Wilson '82.

ment and planning, and strategic planning. Sue and Mark are living in Boston's Back Bay. ...**Ned** and Kathi Iacocca '81 **Hentz** became parents on May 15, 1988, with the birth of their daughter, Mary-Caitlin Carlton. The Hentz family left the Big Apple for suburban Boston (10 Draper Road, Dover, MA 02030). Ned was a copywriter for BBDO in NYC, working on the Polaroid, Contact, and Pepsi accounts. He is now concentrating his efforts on running a family-owned wine and olive oil business, Villa Nicola. ...Jaclyn Leigh was born on August 5, 1988, to Linda and **Jeff Barstow**. Jeff continues to be busy with his year-old company, Favorite Foods, and has been joined by his brother who moved from California to help with the venture. ...**Lynne Wommack Espy** and husband Jay report the birth of their daughter, Hannah. ...**John** and **Anne Wood Humphries** were joined by their daughter, Shelley Rebecca, on October 14, 1988. ...Hal and **Alison Delaney Granger** welcomed Amanda Catharine on November 5, 1988. Alison will be continuing as a fixed income investment adviser for Axe-Houghton. ...On November 11, 1988, Dan and **Betsy Bryan Kohnstamm** announced the birth of their daughter, Mary MacArthur. The Kohnstamms live in Whitefish, Montana, where they have bought a house (573 Somers Avenue, Whitefish, MT 59937). Dan is a high school librarian and Betsy taught grades 5-8 at the Deer Park School, a rural school half an hour from Whitefish. ...Eric Paul, 2-1/2-year-old son of Kathy and Scott Kissinger, became a big brother on October 21, 1988, with the birth of his sister, Laura Diane, the first official recipient of a Vermont Country Kitchen "Middlebury baby basket!" The Kissingers are living in Dayton, Ohio, where Scott is working for NCR Corp in their law department. Prior to this job he worked for RCA designing television components, graduated from Northwestern University Law School, and worked for an Indianapolis law firm. At his present job he has done some work for **Ray Miolla**'s dad. Scott's wife, Kathy, is a basketball coach who played for Purdue University. ...There have been a number of familiar faces spotted in the Vermont Country Kitchen, Middlebury's latest cafe and gourmet specialty shop, where I (**Missi Stern**) can usually be found! ...Homecoming brought Kris and **Mark Shannon** back from Chatham, N.J. Mark is an options officer in NYC with Pershing, a division of Donaldson, Lufkin and Jenrette. He is responsible for business in Canada and the East Coast. ...**Tom Dillon** made the trip for Homecoming down from Burlington, Vt., where he is a rehabilitation coordinator for the Home Improvement Program in the Community and Economic Development department at City Hall. He also keeps busy fixing up his house in Burlington, hiking, rock climbing, and skiing; his latest venture has been learning to telemark ski. ...**Tom Ward** stopped in on a visit back from Boston. Tom has left Gillette to become marketing manager of Superior Brands, manufacturers of pet products in Quincy, Mass. He is working for Bill Phelps '78 in the general merchandise division. ...**Alan** and **Tricia Harvey Gates** were up from Hingham, Mass., with son Philip. Their stop into the VCK was wedged between a visit to the Admissions Office, where they brought two foreign exchange students for interviews, and a ride up to the Snow Bowl to deliver the students to the slopes. ...**Ned Hentz** has been in shopping a couple of times during his trips back for his sister's wedding and to visit his mother, Carol Carlton Hentz '50 who lives in Middlebury and has also been spotted in the VCK! ...Tom '78 and **Pam Roller Stacey** were in Middlebury just before New Year's. Switching coasts, they have left Simsbury, Conn., for California (117 Ross Creek Court, Los Gatos, CA 95032). I hope to see more of you passing through Middlebury in the months ahead. And for those of you who can't make it back now, we expect to see you in 1990 for our Tenth!

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Class Secretaries: *Elaine King, 3 Brattle Drive, #3, Arlington, MA 02174, and Joshua M. Horowitz, 2605 Ithaca Lane, Antioch, CA 94509.*

There are a lot of '81ers out there celebrating the big 30th this year. Best wishes—it's not that bad! ...**PJ Murphy** reports the happy news that he and wife Margaret Gleason have two new additions to their family: twins Kyle Donald and Lane Margaret were born on June 9, 1988. ...Soon after, **Jonathan** and **Annie O'Herron Burleigh** added numbers two and three to their expanding family with twins Connor Brennan and Emily Keegan. ...**Ruth Turner** married G. Hayden McLaughlin (U. Maine Orono) in October 1988. Ruth is a civil engineering designer for RIST-FROST Associates in Laconia, N.H.; her husband is a partner and general manager of Northern Design Contractors, a landscape design and construction firm in Gilford, N.H. Both are weekend coaches for the Gunstock Ski Club. Hayden is also an examiner for the Professional Ski Instructors of America. Their scheduled honeymoon in Jamaica was wiped out by hurricane Gilbert, so they made alternate plans for a March trip to Kitzbuhel, Austria. Their address is 392 Old Lakeshore Road, Gilford, NH 03246. ...**Robert Stearns** writes that he "took a year off ('86-'87) to travel through South America, ended up meeting my Israeli wife in Argentina, came home to Connecticut to work for a year and get married, and now I'm going to live in Israel for a few years. Who could have imagined!" ...**Holli Gunther**, who is a financial planning manager for the Medical Area Service Corporation in Boston, married Alan Harry Roth (Amherst & Columbia) in January of '89. ...In August '88 **Christopher Haskell** married Charlotte Michelle Quinn in France. They live in Southern California where Chris is "doing many triathalons but misses skiing." ...**Mike Price** and wife Wendy report their first child, Jenny Rose, was born December 4, 1988. ...**Andrew E. Auber**, working for the Army as a flight surgeon in Europe, wrote to report that he "married a beautiful Belgian girl October 27 in Belgium." He hopes to return to the U.S. to live in San Francisco. For now, you can write him at Box 3022, 547th Gen. Disp. APO NY 09114. ...Also in Europe are **Peter Price** and wife Cindy Colovas. Peter is teaching in Belgium and Cindy is completing her MBA, but all we hear about is the extracurricular traveling they are enjoying all over the world! Rumor has it they may be "home" soon—maybe to Austin, Texas. ...It seems there are a great many successful classmates in the world of business; **Jim Baker**, having received his MBA at the J.L. Kellogg School of Management, has been promoted to assistant V.P. of Baker's family business. Living in North Leominster, Mass., Jim is married to Janet Lees Christy (Wellesley College, Northwestern Law). ...**David Chiappetta** has been appointed a member of the Society of Soil Scientists of Southern New England. ...**Sue Taylor Kulp** has been promoted to senior analyst in Pension Asset Management with CIGNA. Sue also reports that she is busy renovating an 1826 Colonial home with her husband, Michael, and son Benjamin (well, Benjamin isn't doing much work!). ...**Dan Bailey** has been named an associate at the Boston law firm of Rackemann, Sawyer & Brewster. Congrats to Dan who is now living in Quincy. ...**Diane Meyer**, living in L.A., transferred from international to domestic pension consulting at Towers, Perrin Foster & Crosby (TPF&C). ...**Bruce Morehouse**, a member of the Island Institute in Camden, Maine, was recently the guest speaker at the Camden Garden Club. ...**Anne Borchardt Exler** received a Master of Library Science from the University of Maryland and is now a medical librarian at the National Epilepsy Library. ...**Jane Goulter Bryan** is an associate at Palmer and Associates, while living with husband Michael in North Ferrisburgh, Vt. Medically, the class of '81 sounds like it could be from the cast of General Hospital! ...**Chris Viscomi** has been doing a fellowship in obstetrical anesthesiology at Wake Forest University. He returns to Salt Lake City in July to join the faculty of the University of Utah School of Medicine. Chris also reports on a number of the scientists: **Dan Conlin** is completing an internal

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Sarah Dunlap and Rick King, both '85, were surrounded by Midd friends following their August 27, 1988, wedding: (first row, from left, '85 unless indicated) Denah Lohmann, Craig Russ, Elizabeth Leeds '90, Ann Albern '86, Sarah vanTuyl, Paul Curhan, Christina Bailar, Tom Amos, Barbara Barry '86, Andy Cruicksbank '86, Greg Merz '81, Nancy Ravenal '86, Ruth Lohmann, Karen Heggen, (second row) Chris Powell, Jeff Law, Chris Bittenbender, Gretchen Loomin, Nancy Metcalfe, Chris Coates '86, Janice Palmer, Heidi Lorenzen, Joel Solomon '86, and Dave Tegeler.

Five Class of '83 friends were together on October 29, 1988, for the marriage of Karey Dubiel '83 and Phillip B. Dye, Jr.: (from left) Jamie Maerder, Jackie Tobey, the bride, Pam Kapsimalis, and Sarah Beeton.

When Elizabeth A. West '83 married Robert Mills on February 3, 1989, they celebrated with six members of the Class of 1983: (from left) Tammy Burns Lomaki, Sue Taylor, the newlyweds, Katie Shipman, Parker Sutton, (back row) Julie Greer, and Jenny Dragone.

medical residency in Boston with plans to pursue a fellowship in gastroenterology. ...**Greg** and Debbie Cliff '84 **MacKay** are traveling the country in a van (sounds like the movie *In Search of America*), at least until Greg starts a gastroenterology fellowship at Brown in July. ...**Frazier Caner** and wife Kate had their first child, Oliver Barnes. Frazier is a banker in Philly. ...**Thomas Shively** is living happily in Austin, Texas, playing tennis for a living and being a professor at the University of Texas business school as a hobby. ...We hear that **Julia Hunt** is a clinician at the Hampton Veterinary in New Hampshire, specializing in small animal care. ...**Mike MacVeigh** is a medical intern at Oregon Health Science University in Portland, Oregon. ...Many classmates wrote to express their sadness on the death of **Amy Lutz Rechel**, whose obituary appeared in the autumn 1988 issue of *Middlebury Magazine*. Amy earned a doctorate in plant pathology from the University of California at Riverside in 1987. After a post-doc at UC/Davis working to save California's carrot crop, she was about to join a large California farming aggregate. Those who knew Amy remember her dry wit, her fierce determination and drive, and her warmth and caring. The Class of '81 sends its deepest condolences to her husband Eric, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lutz, and her sister, Lise Lutz Noyes '78.

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Class Secretaries: *Polly Mitchell Ranson, 27 Lafayette St., Hopewell, NJ 08525, and Stephen P. Kiernan, 233 S. Lucas St., Iowa City, IA 52240.*

Greetings! Before the dirt on your pals, an update on the Class of '82 Scholarship recipient, Howard Fauntroy III '89. Howard is a strong student, majoring in political science, heading for graduation by the time you read this. Howard has been active in the Black Student Union and sang with the D-8. Sounds like the recipient of our scholarship is a man we can be proud of! ...Now the latest: **Jane Simon** (2403 Salutaris Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45206) writes that she has started her own specialty advertising business—People, Places, and Things. She keeps in close touch with **Doug** and **Beth Rockefeller Currier**, and was hoping to visit them in Maine this summer, on her way to Nova Scotia. ...**Jeff** and Margaret Goebel '84 **Fisher** and daughter Molly are moving out to sunny Beverly Hills, where Jeff will be a regional sales manager for Drexel Burham Lambert. ...**Bill Genovese** has been named assistant vice president at Child, Savory, Haward, Inc. in Boston. ...**Paul Maselli** has joined the commercial/bankruptcy litigation area of Stark and Stark, a New Jersey law firm. ...**Jonathan Kamien** (259 Boston Post Road, Marlboro, MA 01752), sporting Harvard Medical School stationery, has completed his Ph.D. in psychobiology at the University of Chicago, with a specialization in behavioral pharmacology. "So I guess you could say I've made a career out of drug abuse," quips Jon, who is studying the effects of cocaine and related drugs in Harvard's Primate Research Center, but still manages to ski most weekends. Jon sees a lot of **Joan Tower**, and he has also run into **John Dickey** and Vin Dunn '81. ...July brought the arrival of Matthew Ryan Cahill to Laurie and **Bill Cahill**. ...Katharine Stiles Swiggett (sounds like the name of a future Midd student, doesn't it?) was born to Jeff and **Ellen Harris Swiggett**. After three years of teaching, Ellen is enjoying full-time motherhood while she and her family are still living on Long Island. ...In the tying-the-knot department, **Edward Midgley** married Margaret McBride in November 1988. Edward is a construction manager for Adler-Valentine Associates in Westchester. ...That's all for now, keep those cards and letters coming.

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Class Secretaries: *Allison D. Burroughs, 2429 Locust St., #202, Philadelphia, PA 19103, and Kenneth F. Edwards, 97 Fayerweather St., Cambridge, MA 02138; 617-868-0732.*

Elizabeth Wright Getchell has been accepted into the environmental studies department at Antioch/New England Graduate School in New Hampshire where she will pursue a master's in environmental communications. She is now a data reviewer for Resource Analysts in Hampton, N.H. She would like to work as a field naturalist following her graduation. ...**Karin Teschauer** had a daughter, Melanie, on June 6, 1988. Her new address is Josephinen Str. 22, 8000 Munchen 71, West Germany. ...**Robert Gallahue** was recently promoted to senior accountant at Coopers and Lybrand's Boston office. ...**Rebecca (Becky) Fox** is a briefing attorney for a federal judge in Austin, Texas. She missed the fall, but enjoyed November roses and 75-degree February days. Her new address is 910 Duncan Lane, No. 54, Austin, TX 78705-2637. Visitors are welcome. ...**Laurie Oliver** is employed as a child and family therapist for the North Shore Children's Hospital in Salem, Mass. After graduating from Middlebury, she went on to get a master's degree in social work from the University of Michigan. ...**Jen Baker-Dotti** writes from France that she's sorry to have lost touch with so many classmates. She thinks of all and welcomes visitors who might make it to Nice. She is enjoying her 19-month-old son and the sunny weather, but is still dreaming of returning to Nepal. ...**Carl Mueller** has been playing the role of the producer on the soap opera *Fraternity Row*. He has also had roles on *As the World Turns*, *Falcon Crest*, and *All My Children*, as well as appearing in the films *Too Young the Hero* and *Smooth Talk*. ...While attending Middlebury, **Dan Pryor** hiked to the tops of Mt. Adams, Mt. Washington, and Mt. Rainier. But last summer and fall, he gave a new meaning to "outdoor adventure." Dan was a principal organizer and leader for the "Cowboys on Everest" expedition to Mt. Everest, commemorating the 1988 Wyoming state centennial (as reported in the *Magazine* last year). As the expedition's base camp manager (the base camp of Everest, mind you, is located a mere 17,000 feet above sea level), Dan was responsible for managing the operations of the medical, cook, and dining tents, as well as the climbing supplies and equipment of the expedition. In addition to helping to manage the $1.5 million endeavor, Dan also climbed to 23,000 feet, just below the top of the North Col and Camp 4. (A col is a buttress or saddle between mountains.) At this level climbers have difficulty sleeping and experience constant nausea and headaches that sometimes cause vomiting. Dan said that, due to the scarcity of oxygen at 23,000 feet, "you can actually sit in a chair, do nothing, and feel yourself get weaker and weaker." While on the North Col, the climbing team experienced estimated 200 mph winds. The strength of these winds blew a 35-pound oxygen tank into the air like a feather. (It was later found 1,700 feet below.) As if caught in a Kansas tornado, fellow climber David Frawley felt his body being lifted off the ground. The elements aren't the only obstacles for a person hoping to conquer Everest. "Fear," says Dan, "is the greatest thing on a personal level that one must overcome. Since Everest, everything else I've done seems easier." Jim Robinson '84 was part of the expedition, as was Matt Ellenthal '84, who served as the climb's technician. For those of you who would hope to do this yourselves someday, take heed of Dan's advice: "You can prepare, be in the best shape of your life (Dan gained 20 lbs. and hiked constantly with 70-lb. backpacks filled with jugs of water) and be accompanied by the best hikers in the world—but (your success) still depends on the weather." The expedition failed to bag the top, as they say. If anyone would like to talk with Dan about his experience or would like a t-shirt commemorating the event write to him at 15 Country Crossings, Williston, VT 05495. ...We'd like to hear from more of you!

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Class Secretaries: *Elizabeth L. Hackett,*

406 Lombard St., Philadelphia, PA 19147, and William R. Hathaway, 3611 University Drive, #3P, Durham, NC 27707.

Jennifer Pattee, who teaches Spanish to high school and junior high students at Sant Bani School in Sanbornton, N.H., was hoping to get back to Spain for a visit this summer. ...**Elizabeth Smith** is finishing her last year of teaching at the Hackley School in Tarrytown, N.Y., anticipating the completion of a master's in education this fall in the Boston area. ...**Jennifer McGonagle** is a graduate student and French teacher at New York University. Jen got her master's in education at Harvard. ...Living in Sweden, **Cindy Morrison** and husband Bosse had a baby boy, Fredrik Lennart Karlsson, on August 20, 1988. All three of them planned to visit New Jersey and Ft. Lauderdale in March of 1989. ...**Jonathan Joseph** is living in Philadelphia where he is an attorney for Drinker, Biddle and Reath. ...**Andrew Creighton** is an advertising copywriter for the Communicad Advertising Corporation in Toronto, Canada. ...**Alex Prudhomme** is an editorial assistant for *New York Magazine* in N.Y.C., as well as doing free-lance work on the side. ...Married on May 17, 1987, **Ellen Shammash** and Douglas Hotvedt are both enjoying their residency programs in internal medicine at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis. ...Three pro skiers—**Leslie Baker-Brown**, her sister Laurie Baker-Wertz, and Lisa Feinberg—have combined their athletic expertise to produce a new exercise video in Norwich, Vermont. It's called *Body Prep!—The Ultimate Ski Video* and is based on a simple notion: "A preconditioned body, whether belonging to an experienced skier or not, avoids injury and enjoys skiing." ...**Bart Lombardi, Jr.**, is working on an MBA at Northwestern University. ...**Elizabeth Reuman Hemond** and husband Rick will be returning to the U.S. this summer after a year's worth of work and play in London, England. They will live in Boston where Beth will enter Boston University this fall in pursuit of a Ph.D. in counseling. ...Living in Pasadena, Calif., **Cindy King Guffey** and husband Alan returned to the States last September from Germany (and from what sounds like a great European tour). Cindy is now pursuing a master's in marriage and family therapy at Fuller Seminary. She also works at a therapy center and will begin working with her own clients in April.

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Class Secretaries: *Katherine Champion, 22 Mt. Auburn St., Cambridge, MA 02138, and Andrew Gluck, 61 Unity Ave., Belmont, MA 02178.*

Summertime, and MIDD '85 livin' is easy. GREETINGS! Just couldn't resist starting with more wedding news, which seems to pour in regardless of the time of year. **Rick** and **Sarah Dunlap King** start off the wedding log. Their big day took place at Christ Episcopal Church in Greenwich, Conn., on August 27, 1988. And the mad Midd crew made it the most monstrous of all '85 Midd matrimonies marked to date. The Kings live in Boston where Sarah is a geologist for Groundwater Technology and Rick is a commercial loan officer at the Bank of Boston. ...**Suzanne Poulin** was married to Mark Rowan on August 20, 1988, in Sudbury, Mass. They now live in Washington, D.C., where Mark is studying architecture at Catholic University and Suzanne is working for "Big Blue"—IBM. ...**Jenny Karin** was the next down the aisle when she married Sylvester Herbert Clegg on October 1, 1988 in Greenwich, Conn. ...**Karin Radasch** and **Jeff Maddox** followed on December 10, 1988, with **Tracy Howell** as maid of honor and **Tom Panitz** as best man. After their New York ceremony, the Maddoxes moved to Denver, Colo., where Karin is an account executive at Century Broadcasting and Jeff is at the University of Denver Law School. ...A better-late-than-never wedding report: Kevin Mahaney '84 and **Sarah Ondaatje** were married on September 27, 1986. They live at 75 West Broadway, Bangor, ME 04401. ...Finally, wedding bells from the Far West. **Karen Casey** and **Scot Gould** were married on January 7, 1989, in Santa Barbara, Calif. They can be reached at P.O. Box 13790, Santa Barbara, CA 93107. ...As if our classmates' marriages weren't shocking enough, here's some baby news! Jon and **Tammy Gray Iralu** had their first baby on October 7, 1988. Her name is Elspeth Mary Iralu. Tammy also completed her first semester of graduate school (African history) in the fall. Needless to say, she was a busy lady. The Iralus live in Boston (224 Calumet St., 02120). ....Now, shifting gears to winter news, **Alice Vail** was in Middlebury last winter performing in the Winter Term opera production of *Hansel & Gretel*. Alice is busy finishing her master's in voice performance and pedagogy at Westminster Choir College in Princeton, N.J., while teaching voice lessons to freshmen. ...There was a tremendous '85 turnout at the annual Boston Alumni Association Holiday Party. Those attending included **Anders** and Sally Lindwall '84 **Knutzen, Kristin Morse, Martha Turnbull Higgins, Craig Ross, Dave Morton, Christina Bailar, Cynthia Martin, Jan Small Pollack, Paul** and **Cecil Barron Jensen, Rick** and **Sarah Dunlap King, John Denny, Kris Anderson**, and **Brenda Birmann**. Anders is finishing up at Harvard Medical School, Kristin is at the Boston Co., and "Morty" is selling for MCI. ...Christmas card news from **Dale Sailer**-man who has now finished year one at Wharton business school in Philly. Dale writes, "School's been a lot of fun and a lot of work. I'm now the sports editor of the *Wharton Journal*, the school's weekly paper. I ran into **Toni Mauck** who was on her way to Boston. **Jim Connors** recently got married in Morristown, N.J. Also saw **Chris Bittenbender** who is still at Running Press. **Joe Sutherland** is enjoying himself here too." ...**Bill Baskin** is also enjoying school and reported that the second year of law school (Yale) was flying by— thankfully! Bill can be reached at 450 Humphrey St., New Haven, CT 06511. ...**Karen Heggen** is in the thick of legal training at Vermont Law School and would love to hear from you at P.O. Box 68, South Royalton, VT 05068. ...And, **Amy Scott** is on her way to being a lawyer at Case Western Reserve. Her address is 2741 Euclid Heights Blvd., #12, Cleveland Heights, OH 44106. ...**Amanda Vaughan** writes, "I've recently moved from Chicago to New York and took a job with General Foods as the marketing research supervisor of Jello Pudding Snacks. My new address is 366 N. Main St.. #301, Port Chester, NY 10573 (home 914-937-3265 and work 914-335-5431). I'm looking forward to seeing the New York Middlebury crowd." ...New to that crowd is **Johanna Glover**. Jo-Ma is rapidly trying to learn the historical picture business so her parents can retire in a year or two. Her new address is 22 West 77th St., #46, New York, NY 10024 (212-580-4059). ...Away from the Big Apple, **Sarah Sword** has joined Chaffee-Bedard Inc. of Providence, R.I., as a public relations account executive. Sarah had been an on-air reporter with WABI-TV, Bangor, Maine, and with Cable Packet TV-8, Princeton, N.J. ...**Pam Brown** is now the executive director of the Special Legislative Commission on Growth and Change in Massachusetts. The Commission is charged with making an investigation and study of patterns of residential, commercial, and industrial development throughout the Commonwealth of Mass. ...**Ann Lord** has been named a client support specialist for Breen Systems management of Williston, Vt. She is also an MBA degree candidate at UVM. ...Also in Vermont, **Martha Punderson** is a landscape architecture assistant at Landworks of New Haven. Her address is RD 2, Box 2129, Brandon, VT 05753. ...Finally some new addresses: **Heather Kelly-Hedrick**, 3140 Emerson Ave. S., #103, Minneapolis, MN 55408; **Sonia Krotkov**, 401 E. 3rd St. #3, Brooklyn, NY 11218. ...**Pat O'Donoghue**, 86 Pinecrest Drive, Unit 5d, Essex Junction, VT 05452. ...And, **Dan** "the man" **Wexler**, 146 Valley Stream Road, Larchmont, NY 10538. ...Remember, keep sending your news to Andy and Kate. The '85 column has room for all the news that's fit to print —and then some! Important final note: Those interested in getting involved with our 5th Reunion (only a

The Middlebury turnout was not light for the wedding celebration of Ann and Tom Steinle '84 on February 17, 1989, in West Hartford, Conn.: (first row) Sue Steinle '87, Al Lamson '60, Peter Steinle '92, Pete Steinle '62, Martha Baldwin '84, Tom Baldwin '84, (second row) John Sinclair '62, Sally Tingle Southard '61, Sue Hibbert Lardner '60, Martha Turnbull Higgins '85, Mike Karin '59, Ellen O'Toole '84, (third row) Bill Boscow '84, Kim Schlegel Boscow '84, Jean Yeomans Lamson '62, Breck Lardner '60, Tom and Ann, Sally Burke McNamara '84, Rick Peterson '84, Phoebe Twichell Peterson '86, Duff Badgley '85, Lynde Sudduth Karin '62, Cecil Marlowe '84, Kevin D'Arcy '84, (fourth row) Toby Daley '85, Bill Butler '61, Gil Owren '62, Dave Barenborg '60, Pete Wlodkowski '84, Greg Hickey '77, Brian O'Sullivan '84, Jim Southard '59, Mike McNamara '82, Jeff Connolly '84, Dennis Boyle '84, Bill Barenborg '58, Lisa Herbster '86, Cam McClearn '87, Dan Higgins '83, Chris Higgins '83, Scott Fillenworth '84, Jeff Scanlon '83, Steve Ford '84, and Ron Cline.

The marriage of Beth Reuman '84 and Rick Hemond took place on June 18, 1988, in the presence of Middlebury friends (from left, all '84 unless indicated) Jen Pattee, Phil Huffman, Kristin Smith, Kristen Gould, the newlyweds, Stuart Demirs '83, Robin Harris, Jim Robinson, Liz Hackett, Heidi Mosburg, and Matt Ellenthal.

Following their wedding on August 20, 1988, in Sudbury, Mass., Suzanne Poulin '85 and Mark Rowan were joined by Class of '85 well-wishers (from left) Karen Rockow, Betsy Saunders, Maureen Menikhiem, the newlyweds, Lyn Hermann, Lissa Briggs, Marcia Sullivan, Cathy Gianelly, and John Chalmers.

When Jane Richardson '86 married Jimmy Dobbs on February 20, 1988, in Birmingham, Alabama, the wedding involved four Middlebury bridesmaids: Melissa Marquardt '86, Charlotte Lindsay '86, Karen Belinski '87, and Lynne Beers '86.

During her junior year abroad, Rebecca Goldman '89 met Martin Trober in Israel. The two were married in Brookline, Mass., on February 12, 1989, and have since moved to London, Martin's home town.

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Class Secretaries: *Suzanne Duncan Simmonds, P.O. Box 348, East Middlebury, VT 05740; John B. Briggs, 21 Country Club Drive, #35, Manchester, NH 03102; and James H. Bromley, Jr., 829 Harriton Road, Bryn Mawr, PA 19010.*

The lack of snow this past winter didn't keep our classmates away from the slopes! Several '86ers were in Middlebury to ski and reminisce. ...**Debbie Vehse** and **Michael Hering** spent the New Year's holiday visiting **Nate Burt** in East Middlebury. They managed to get in a few days skiing along with **Steve Kinkead**. ...**Debbie Porter** and John Stafford '88 were up at the beginning of February visiting John's sister, Jennie '91, and doing a bit of skiing. Debbie is still working in Boston at Shawmut Bank, commuting in from Allston. **Lisa Eddy** spent Washington's Birthday weekend with **L.J.** and **Suzanne Duncan Simmonds**. Despite the near zero temperatures, Lisa and a friend skiied both days. L.J. and Suzanne opted to wait for fairer weather! (The advantage of living minutes from the slopes.) ...**Henry Romaine** sent an update from the Western scene. Dudley Ottley '87 flew out from Atlanta in December for "an epic eight days of skiing at Vail." In January, Henry, **Bruce Genereaux, Brad Schildt**, and **Ed Levine** all "went to Vail to tear up the powder in the newly opened China Bowl for a few days." Ed is in a Ph.D. program in biochemistry on Long Island. Bruce graduated from the Master's of Mineral Economics program at the Colorado School of Mines during the winter, starting work for Cyprus Minerals as a financial analyst in March. Henry has also seen **John Hill** who is at Mines as well. Finally, Henry reports he and his wife, Lisa, are moving to Chicago in late August. Henry has been accepted into U. of Chicago's Graduate School of Business while Lisa is hoping to continue with the *L.A. Times* in Chicago. Thanks for the big update, Henry—it's great to hear what's new with everyone. ...We received an anonymous communique about classmates in New York: **Bill Hallock** is working for IBM in the city. ...**Jon Miller** got an M.A. from Yale and has gone to work in publishing. ...**Evan Gsell** is in his last year at NYU School of Law. ...**Jeff Steiger** works at Bloomingdale's and Karsten Prager '87 is flying Navy jets. Thanks to the person who sent the news—we appreciate it! ...**Peter Hartikka** and Heather Gaudreau '87 have been teaching Russian at the Iolani Russian Institute in Hawaii. ...**Wendy Fisher** has been appointed sales manager at the Basin Harbor Club on Lake Champlain near Vergennes, Vt. ...**Stuart Johnstone** returned from a year of traveling around the world last December. ...**Sarah Lewis** is finishing up a dual degree program at Syracuse Law School, leading to both a J.D. and a Master's in Environmental Science. In September Sarah plans to begin work with Nixon, Hargrave, Devans & Doyle in Rochester, with the goal of practicing environmental law in the near future. ...**Scott Campbell**'s dad wrote that Scott's Peace Corps assignment in the Central African Republic is ending this summer. He has been teaching health education to elementary school teachers in and around Bangui where he has also played soccer for the town team. Last summer traveled to Kenya. ...**Melanie Salisbury** has been appointed assistant director of the annual giving program at Northeastern University. She will be in charge of the phonathon program which reaches out to 50,000 alumni a year. ...**Catherine Cassety** wrote that she is in her third year at the Harvard Graduate School of Design. This spring she studyied at the ETH in Zurich, Switzerland, and in the fall she will return to Harvard to finish her degree in January 1990. Catherine says she often sees **Thayer Collins, Helena Paulin**, and **Jane Hoffman**. ...**Jane Richardson** married Jimmy Dobbs February 20, 1988, in Birmingham, Alabama. They are living in Cincinnati where Jane is working towards her master's at Miami U. in Oxford, Ohio. Husband Jimmy graduated from U. of Alabama with a master's in metals engineering and now works for General Electric. Jane says they live on a farm and would love to have visitors at 8364 Morrow Rossburg Road, Morrow, OH 45152 (513-877-2941). ...**Dorene Theberge** and David Krisovitch (Lafayette '86) were married December 3, 1988, in Allentown, Pa. Up until the wedding Dorene had been working for AIPSO doing computer programming and analysis in Rhode Island. They now live near Seattle (7760 Vineyards Lane N.E., #R203, Bremerton, WA 98310). The amount of news from classmates this time was incredible! We hope it will encourage the rest of you to let us know what's going on in your life.

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Class Secretaries: *Dorrie Paynter, 548 East 82nd St., #6E, New York, NY 10028, and John K. Zehner, Canterbury School, New Milford, CT 06776.*

Two years out already! We have heard from quite a few of you recently. Master's degrees seem to be "the in thing." ...**Laura White** is working on a master's in archaeology in Oregon. ...**Liz Carr** is in California getting a master's in psychology. ...**Donna Laquidara** has already completed her master's in English from Boston University. ...**Jean Miller** is working on her master's in Spanish literature at the University of Texas, Austin. ...**Jim Scannell** is getting his master's in English at the University of Virginia. ...And **Lynn Holappa** anticipates having her master's in botany from North Carolina State University by this fall when she will "definitely go on for (her) Ph.D. in some area of physiological ecology on a more molecular genetic basis," I'll trust she knows what that means!. ...**Sarah Gordon** who earned her master's degree in Russian at Middlebury last summer, now works as a translator/researcher for Turner Broadcasting System, Inc., and the 1990 Goodwill Games. In 1986, she worked for the Goodwill Games in Moscow while studying there. ...**Kimberley O'Sullivan** has been enjoying the clinical training of her second year at the University of Vermont College of Medicine. ...**Kevin Barry** is attending the Hofstra University Law School. ...**Billy Diadamo** is a student at Boston University Law School. ...**Nick Mazzamurro** is earning his MBA at Clark University in Massachusetts. ...**Rob Jenkins** has his MBA from New York University and is now a security industry auditor for Peat Marwick in New York. ...**Cynthia Carter** has finished her second year of law school at the University of Chicago. ...To add to our ever-growing list of teachers: **Sandy Hurd** is on Long Island, N.Y., teaching Spanish at a private school. ...**Elaine Chanute** is in Pennsylvania teaching French. ...**Katrina Kradel** is an elementary school teacher in Roxbury, Mass. ...**Liz Hopkins** is at the Dedham Country Day School outside of Boston. ...**Amy Beckwith** is enjoying work at the Clark School for the Deaf in Northhampton, Mass. ...**Trish Clary** is an English teacher in Japan. ...**Martha Bangs** is trying out life as an architect. ...**Michele White** is working for Kraft Industries in Vermont. ...In banking, **Kim Lang** is working for a bank in the Boston area, **John Miles** for a Hartford bank, **Scott Sunbury** for the Wells Fargo Bank in San Francisco, and **John Woolley** is transferring to the L.A. office of the Bank of New York. ...**Kristin Hoberg** recently moved to the city of cable cars. ...**Ann Christie** works for an export company in L.A. ...**Doug Weekes** is the east coast sales representative for Newport Electronics. ...**Rhys Wyman** is in California going to school while working in a hotel. ...**Jacques Heim** is going to the California Institute of the Arts in Los Angeles. ...In D.C., **Jennifer Mennella** is still with Aerospatiale, a French aerospace company. ...Word has it that **Craig Pattee** helped out at Presidential Inauguration festivities, after which he was looking for more permanent work in the political arena. ...We are well represented by congressional aids: **Sharon Fray** works for Congressman Levin, **Ram Prudencio** for Congress-

man Richardson, and **Jeff Crater** is a staff assistant to Congressman John Dingell. ...**Nick Moore** helps produce a television show at the Center for Defense Information. ...**Catherine Crawford** works for the National Governors Association. ...**Emily Ferman** has an internship at the *Washington Monthly*. ...**Caroll Kramme** is also working at a magazine in the area. ...**Richard Coolidge** is learning the ropes at ABC News. ...**Greg Lupica** is a management consultant for the Future Group and plans to attend grad school to study economics this fall. ...**Jay Brodmerkel** is an associate producer for video documentaries at H.R. Productions Company. ...As of early spring **Pat Reinkemeyer** had had enough of pro golf and was pounding the streets looking for a job on the Hill. ...Next time you're in Middlebury, stop in at the Vermont Country Kitchen where **Liza Weekes** is working and try out the amazing muffins! ...**Matt Bacon** is now employed by a software company in Nashua, N.H. ...**John Castle** and **Galen Scott** were spotted on the N.Y. subway system, but they escaped without comment. ...**Tara Hingston** is working for an Oriental rug company and selling antiques. ...**Emily Germain** and **Jill Cohen** are both paralegals at a firm in Boston. ...Sorry I don't know more details, but **Steve Etka** got married in October 1988. ...**Jason Robart** works in the press department at the Boston Department of Mental Retardation. ...And **Phyllis Merikallio** has joined her family's computer consulting company. ...One of the few remaining travelers seems to be **Peter Cole** who continues to explore the Eastern Bloc countries. Has everyone else returned from their foreign travels? Why don't you write and let us know what you're up to. Not just where you are working, but what else you're doing. (I'm assuming you don't *all* work 15 hour days like some of these New York bankers!)

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Class Secretaries: *Pam Lawson, 12 Newcomb St., Medford, MA 02155, and Jim Calise, 1047 Belmont St., Watertown, MA 02172.*

A big thanks to those of you who sent us letters! It's great to hear from you and what you are up to now that we're a year out of school. ...In the Connecticut area, **Linda Preston** has been teaching Spanish at Windsor High School, looking forward to having time off this summer. ...This spring, **Dave Van Luven** started a job on Cape Cod working for the Association for the Preservation of Cape Cod. He is mapping out conservation areas and developing a regional system of wild life corridors. One of the letters that we received gave a good example of combining the "real world" and a "typical Middlebury experience." ...**Kate Grund** hosted a caroling party (yes, this news is ancient, but we couldn't resist putting it in) which featured a keg towed on a little red wagon behind the carolers! Kate is working in New York City at Banker's Trust. ...Traveling across the world, heading westward through Asia and into Europe, are **Jordan Zahniser** and **Brian Widmann**. To earn their keep in Australia, they rented out surf boards in a beach town while living in a fixed up tool shed. In northeast Australia, they battled crocodiles for their sleeping arrangements. ...**Andrew Bird** wrote to us from Alta, Utah. He had traveled across the United States with **Geoff Casey** last summer, visiting various people along the way. Unfortunately, an unexpected water ride led to disaster in Utah. A flash flood left Andrew with some major injuries. We hope you are feeling better now. He came to visit Middlebury College and all its hard working students during his recovery. He is a bookkeeper/accountant at Alta (Utah) Lodge—not to mention his fame as a hockey player in the Utah Winter Games, a gold medalist! ...Congratulations to **Ann Marie Bouchard**, who was a finalist for the Apker Award which honors the outstanding work of an undergraduate in physics. Ann's thesis topic was "The Vibrational Properties of Amorphous Silicon: A Computer Simulation." ...**Pam Lawson** is coordinating sales for a new line of running shoes for Kazmaier International. ...**Sandy Peterson**, who is living in Watertown, Mass., with **Sheila D'Arcy**, is working up in Woburn for an import/export firm. ...In New York City, **Beth Vincelette** is also in publishing. ...**Scott Seymour, Craig Westling**, and **Chris Storkerson** helped out the lacrosse team at Middlebury for the spring. ...**Jeff Benson** is working for Senator Lieberman's office in Hartford. ...**Jason Rosenbaum** is living the life of the starving artist in NYC. ...**Sybil McCarthy** is working as a casting assistant in Boston. ...**Sara Folta** is working at the Boston University Medical Center. ...**Matt Caffrey** is a summer intern in Boston with Mince & Levin, after finishing his first year at UPenn Law. ...**John Goebel** is a summer intern in the Los Angeles office of the Chicago-based firm of Mayer, Brown and Pratt. ...Once again, wedding bells rang for a member of the Class of '88. On December 17, 1988, **Melissa Perry** married Russell Penton in Poplarville, Miss. Melissa's family did an amazing job of organizing activities for the guests, including a sightseeing trip to New Orleans (or is it Nawlins?). The bridesmaids were **Lissa Ellsworth, Laura Ludwig, Kim Maynard**, and **Frisk Ewing**; sister Megan Perry '91 was maid of honor. Other Midd Kidds at the wedding included **Jim Calise, Paul Martin, Michael Obel-Omia**, Bill Burden '86, **Michelle Millin, Anya Puri, Sarah Cooper**, and **Julia Foote**. ...And last but not least, congratulations to the Class of 1988.5. This year's February Graduation on Snow was February 4, 1989. The Ceremony even made the *New York Times* on February 26. The article was accompanied by a photo of Ron Saltz '89, Chris Reed '89, and Chip Pollard '89, taken by **Sharon Harper**. The cold weather didn't prevent more than 30 of the 40 graduates from participating in the Snow Bowl Ceremony and receiving their Certificates from President Robison. The Class of 1988 would like to congratulate the newest members of the Alumni Association: **Robert Aichele, Janet Alexander, Paolo Bonetti, Marc Boyle, Bruce Bridges, Dave Buckland, Chris Cahill, Sam Chapin, Hilary Colgate, Brian Foss, Stephanie Galbreath, Becky Goldman, Susanna Green, John Greer, Lynn Hawley, Peggy Keteltas, Dana Lamb, Jon Lawton, Rob MacLeod, Sean Marshall, Bill McCullough, Andy Merlis, Liz Mitchell, Anne-Marie Peterson, Chip Pollard, Tim Pratt, Chris Reed, Julie Reed, Lee Rose, Ron Saltz, Caroline Sarkozy, Andrew Smith, Kathy Sloan, Theo Spencer, Blake Stoddard, Jim Taylor, Kathy Varanese, Julie Weil**, and **Dina Wolkoff**. ...It is with great sadness that we report the death of **Alison Fraker**, who started at Middlebury with our class. A complete obituary appears elsewhere in this magazine. The Class of '88 extends its profound sympathies to Alison's family: her parents, Lynn Johnson Bienstock and Harrison Fraker, Jr., and her sister, Jessica E. Fraker. ...Please keep in touch—we want to hear want you are doing this summer and what you plan to do this fall.

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Class Secretary: *Kris Canfield, 351 Fairview Ave., Fairfield, CT, 06430, and Tim O'Shea, 73 Second St., Garden City, NY, 11530.*

The deadline for this issue was before Commencement—and we weren't even alumni yet. Our first informative column, we hope, will be in the autumn issue of the magazine. Please send any and all information about you and your friends (jobs, marriages, travel plans, future plans, etc.) to your new class secretaries! We look forward to hearing from you. Have a great summer!

Middbits answers

(From page 96)

1. Only one—and he didn't make it to the ceremony. Aaron Petty, Class of 1802, was a shoemaker who had entered the fledging College as a junior. Suffering from consumption, he was unable to attend the August Commencement ceremonies and died soon after.
2. M. Belle Chellis, who graduated first in the Class of 1886, gave the day's second address, an essay on "The Growth of Criticism." All eyes were on Middlebury's first woman graduate.
4. The gowns are Pacifica blue, with white trim. If, however, you attended Commencement during the early 1980s, you also get credit for answering, "purplish with yellowish trim." That's because the gowns you saw then had been in use since 1966; in 1988, the College ordered four replacement gowns, caps, and hoods. Total cost: $1,349.88.
5. Blue skies—and a growing number of graduates, families, and friends—moved the Exercises of Commencement outdoors in 1976, to the lawn behind Forest Hall. Five times since then, the threat of rain (or the soggy lawn created by earlier storms) has moved ceremonies back into Memorial Field House.
6. They're gathered up and sent to Forest Hall, where they're stored as promotional material for the graduating class's 5th reunion.

Melissa Perry '88 and Russell Penton were married in Poplarville, Miss., on December 17, 1988. Celebrants included (from left) Kim Maynard '88, Paul Martin '88, Melissa Ellsworth '88, Sarah Cooper '88, Jim Calise '88, Bill Burden '86, Megan Perry '91, Melissa and Russ, Michael Obel-Omia '88, Frisk Ewing '88, Anya Puri '88, Michelle Millin '88, Laura Ludwig '88, and Julia Foote '88.

OBITUARIES

1916

PHILIP H. CONDIT, 95, on January 29, 1989, at Cape Cod Hospital, Hyannis, Mass. A native of East Orange, N.J., he prepared for college at East Orange High School and Bordentown, N.J., Military Institute. At Middlebury he was a standout tackle and kicker on the football team for four years, serving as captain his senior year. A member of Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity, he was active in the Mandolin Club, and served as class president. Mr. Condit was decorated for bravery during his service as a captain in the U.S. Army's 7th Infantry, 3rd Division, in World War I, earning the Distinguished Service Cross and the Purple Heart. After six years with McGraw Hill Publishing Co. in New York City, he embarked on a 34-year career in banking, as an officer of the Essex County Trust Co., Fidelity Union Trust Co., Monroe Loan Society, and the Seaboard Finance Co., serving the latter two as president. For more than 28 years, Mr. Condit was a member of the board of directors of the East Orange Hospital. He also served as treasurer of the Oranges & Maplewood Area Council of the Boy Scouts. His wife, the former Alma Binzen, died in 1986. Mr. Condit is survived by a daughter, Ruth C. Priddy of Bass River, Mass., and two granddaughters.

1916

HARRIET MYERS FISH, 94, of Windsor, Vt., on December 14, 1988. Born in Yonkers, N.Y., she prepared for college at the Barton, Vt., Academy. At Middlebury she was active in the Musical Association and was captain of the basketball team. A member of Alpha Chi and the Deutscher Verein, she was also an editor of *The Campus* and a member of the *Kaleidoscope* board. Married in 1917 to Frederick L. Fish '16, she taught school in the Vermont towns of Morgan, Franklin, and Orleans, and at Classical High School in Springfield, Mass. She did graduate work at Boston University and New York University. After her teaching career, she became a volunteer and subsequently a professional staff member with the Girl Scouts of America. For many years the secretary of the Class of 1916, she was an active member of the League of Women Voters, the Belmont, Mass., Methodist Church, and the Westmore, Vt., Commmunity Church. Mrs. Fish was the author of the town of Westmore history as well as the Westmore Church history. She was one of the founders of the Westmore Association. Mrs. Fish, whose husband died in 1980, is survived by two daughters, Lois White of Windsor, Vt., and Janet Page of Westmore; eight grandchildren, and 11 great-grandchildren.

1918

ELSIE FOOTE L'HOMMEDIEU, 90, of Silver Spring, Md., on December 24, 1988, after suffering a stroke. Born in Vergennes, Vt., she came to college from Vergennes High School. She was a member of Sigma Kappa sorority. She moved to the Washington, D.C., area in 1918, and spent the rest of her life there. After working briefly for the U.S. Treasury Department, she enrolled at George Washington University Law School. Married in 1921 to one of her law school classmates, Samuel J. L'Hommedieu, they raised two sons, both of whom survive: Samuel J. of Florida, and Robert H. of McLean, Va. Also surviving are two grandchildren. Mrs. L'Hommedieu's husband predeceased her in 1977. Ever a loyal supporter of the College, in 1983 she returned for her 65th class reunion.

1920

JOHN K. CHEESMAN, 92, of Warwick, R.I., on January 5, 1989. Born in Cleveland, Ohio, he prepared for college at the Tome School. A member of Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity, throughout his college years he sang in the Glee Club, as well as in the Double Quartet and the College Choir. He was a member of Delta Tau and Waubanakee. His college years were interrupted by service in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War I; he returned to Middlebury to complete his degree in 1920. As a young man, he worked for Cheesman Silk Co., Providence, R.I., a family business, for 9 years. He then became an insurance broker, and during World War II was with the federal government's Training Within Industry Program. After the war, he worked in personnel training at Gorham Mfg. Co. of Providence, retiring in 1952. A former vestryman and assistant treasurer of St. Martin's Episcopal Church, Providence, he was a member of the Rhode Island and Warwick Historical Societies, the Mystic Seaport Association, and the Audubon Society. He was a former board member of the Kent County YMCA, and a member of the Children's Friend Service, Providence. Mr. Cheesman was married in 1923 to Florence Millard '20, who died in 1952. Survivors include his daughter, Nancy C. Baetzhold '48 of Indianapolis, Ind.; two grandchildren; also, two nieces, Grace Field McNamee '50 and Eleanor Brackett McVey '54; a great-nephew, David McNamee '75; and a greatniece, Kathleen McNamee '79.

1922

JEREMIAH C. CARDELL, 86, of Dunedin, Fla., on May 14, 1987. A native of Bristol, Vt., he came to college from Bristol High School. Mr. Cardell was a member of Kappa Delta Rho fraternity. He had lived in Florida since 1965. For 15 years prior to that, he was a resident of Lenoir, N.C., where he was a registered pharmacist.

1924

CECIL C. SIMMONS, 85, of Middletown, N.J., on February 25, 1989, of lung cancer. Born in Millerton, N.Y., he majored in English and economics, was a member of Chi Psi fraternity, and graduated Phi Beta Kappa. Mr. Simmons was a real estate broker and consultant for 44 years when he retired in 1975 as First Vice President and Director of Ely-Cruikshank Co., the oldest real estate firm in New York City. An expert on the Insurance District, he was a member of the Real Estate Board of New York, serving for ten years as chairman of its insurance-city hall committee. Mr. Simmons was a director of Serial Federal Savings and Loan Assoc. of New York for 13 years, serving for ten of those years as chairman. From 1930 to 1956 he lived in Mountain Lakes, N.J., where he served twice as a member of the Borough Council and also on the planning board. He was chairman of the board of adjustment and president of the Library Association. He also served as a volunteer fireman for 17 years. His wife, Pauline Bame Simmons, to whom he was married in 1927, died in 1984. He is survived by his daughter, Jean Arnold '50 of Lincroft, N.J.; a sister, Violet Simmons of Millerton; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

1925

LUCIUS BASSETT, 84, on February 11, 1989, in Troup, Texas, after a long illness. Mr. Bassett was born in Morristown, Vt., and prepared for college at Waterbury, Conn., High School. At Middlebury he was a member of Alpha Sigma Psi fraternity and Tau Kappa Alpha Forensic Society. He was active in the College Book Store and the library. He became manager of the varsity football team his senior year. After graduation he served as Deputy Collector of International Revenue, 1925-1927, in Windsor, Vt. He then joined the American Brass Co. in Torrington and Waterbury, Conn., eventually becoming works manager, and retired in 1970. Besides his wife, Sybil Huggins Bassett, he leaves two sons, Robert L. Bassett of Torrington, Conn., and George E. Bassett of Sparks, Nev.; two brothers, Leander Bassett of Cleveland, Ohio, and Perl Bassett of Hollywood, Fla.; five grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.
—Donald R. Banks '25

1925

OSCAR W. COOLEY, 87, of Hackettstown, N.J., on November 25, 1988. He came to Middlebury from Randolph, Vt., High School, and was one of the campus leaders throughout his four years, serving as chairman of Student Forum, editor-in-chief of *The Campus*, and president of the English Club. He belonged to Philian and Sages, and was a member of Tau Kappa Alpha. A four-year member of the Wetherell Debating Club, he sang in the Glee Club, College Quartet, and College Choir. A writer and editorialist all of his working life, he was until 1956 an editor for various publications of the Cooperative League of the U.S. and the Farm Bureau Cooperative Assoc., and delivered radio commentaries for many years. After earning a master's degree from Butler University in 1956, he taught economics at Ohio Northern University until 1972. The recipient of an honorary Doctor of Laws, he was a member of Phi Beta Kappa. A frequent contributor to academic journals and journalistic magazines, he published a syndicated column in the Freedom Newspaper chain from 1960 to 1986. His book, *When Grandpa Was a Boy*, was published in 1985. A veteran of World War II, he served with the Army Air Force's civil service wing as a radio mechanic between 1942 and 1945. He was a member of the Maennerchor, the oldest men's chorus in the U.S. His wife, the former Lydia P. White, died in 1983. He is survived by two sons, Roger B. Cooley of Califon, N.J., and Dexter H. Cooley of Greenwood, Ind.; and a brother, Emerson F. Cooley of Yalaha, Fla.

1925

LOUISE ELMER MacALEESE, 84, on December 15, 1988, at the home of her daughter, Katharine M. Smith, in Fairport, N.Y. Born in Vergennes, Vt., she attended Middlebury High School. In college she majored in French and was active in the Glee Club and Dramatic Club. After graduation she taught Latin and French for two years in Millerton, N.Y., and four years in Cornwall-on-Hudson, N.Y. In 1930 she married David MacAleese of Cranberry Lake, N.Y., in Mead Chapel. President Moody performed the ceremony. After marriage she and her husband owned and operated the Park Restaurant & Dance Hall in Cranberry for 45 years. Her daughter Katharine reports that she preferred the business to teaching. She was an active member and Past Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star and played organ in the local church for many years. After retirement in 1970 Louise and her husband joined a western style square dance club and traveled the length of New York state and into Canada enjoying their hobby. They attended many of her class reunions at Middlebury. She is survived by her husband David, a daughter, Katharine Smith of Fairport, N.Y.; a son, John of Watertown, N.Y.; and eight grandchildren.
—Donald R. Banks '25

1926

ROBERT SEIBERLING PFLUEGER, 84, on December 15, 1988, at his home in Akron, Ohio. Mr. Pflueger was born in Akron and entered Middlebury after graduation from West High School, Akron. He was a member of Chi Psi fraternity, Delta Tau honorary society, was active in many undergraduate publications including *Blue Baboon* and *Kaleidoscope*. He was a member of the track squad and Glee Club. He received a law degree from the University of Michigan Law School. He joined the law firm of Slabaugh, Seiberling, Huber and Guinther and later became a member of the firm. His real love, however, was the preservation of the magnificent mansion and estate of his uncle, the late Frank A. Seiberling, founder of the Goodyear Rubber Co. The estate, known as Stan Hywet Hall, is an outstanding example of Tudor architecture and has become famous worldwide for its beauty. In 1956 he was appointed president of the Stan Hywet Foundation and spent the rest of his life managing the operation of the estate as a cultural center of world renown. Mr. Pflueger was past president and trustee of Sumner Home for the Aged, and past president of Akron City Club. Other memberships included Portage Country Club, Akron Bar Association, Akron Men's Garden Club, and Sons of the American Revolution. A lifelong resident of Akron, Mr. Pflueger was the youngest of four sons of E.A. Pflueger and Ruth Seiberling Pflueger. His grandfather, E. F. Pflueger, was a founder of the Pflueger fishing tackle firm, a leader in its field in the early 1900s. Mr. Pflueger is survived by a brother, Theodore S. Pflueger of Laguna Beach, Calif.; a niece, Ruth Pflueger Juve of Akron; nephews, John S. Pflueger, Jr. of Akron, Andrew Pflueger of California, and Dr. Edward M. Pflueger, also of California.

—Donald R. Banks '25

1927

FLORENCE WYMAN PALMER, 81, of East Lansing, Mich., on December 21, 1988. Born in Starksboro, Vt., she came to Middlebury from Vermont Academy. A French major, she was a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority. After graduation she taught mathematics at Peacham, Vt., Academy, and at high schools in Stamford, N.Y., and Hartford, Conn., until her marriage in 1932 to Milan H. Palmer '28. After raising their three sons, she returned to work, and spent 20 years at Aetna Life & Casualty, retiring in 1972. She was a resident of West Hartford, Conn., for most of her life, where she was a member of the Universalist Church, the Connecticut Historical Society, and several other historical organizations. Her husband died in 1985. She is survived by three sons, Edgar M. Palmer of East Lansing, Mich., John G. Palmer of Winston-Salem, N.C., and Charles W. Palmer of Spokane, Wash.; a sister, Carol W. Delphia of Belleview, Fla.; a brother, Abel Wyman of Chestertown, Md.; and four grandchildren.

1928

LAURA POWERS BILLINGS, 80, of Rutland, Vt., on January 2, 1988, after a brief illness. Born in Clarendon, Vt., she came to Middlebury from Rutland High School. Spending a year in college, she joined Phi Mu sorority. A longtime resident of Rutland, she was a 50-year member of Grace Congregational Church. Survivors include a son, George P. Billings of Brandon, Vt.; a brother, Russell F. Powers of North Clarendon; two nieces, a nephew, and four greatnephews.

1928

CARLTON H. CHIPMAN, 83, of Amesbury, Mass., on February 6, 1989. A native of Amesbury and an alumnus of its high school, he spent two years at Middlebury and was a member of Kappa Delta Rho fraternity. Mr. Chipman was a production manager for Henschel Corp. of Newburyport from 1940 until his retirement in 1970. He was a member of St. James Episcopal Church. The husband of the late Marjorie Clark Chipman and the late Phyllis Lees Chipman, he is survived by a son, William D. Chipman of Ipswich, Mass.; a daughter, Suzanne C. Lachance of Jaffrey, N.H.; a brother, Lester Chipman of Bradford, Mass.; a sister, Elizabeth Moreau of Exeter, N.H.; seven grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

1928

FLORENCE PORTER McCLINTOCK, 83, of Turners Falls, Mass., on February 25, 1989. Reared in Turners Falls, she majored in both French and English at Middlebury, where she belonged to the French Club, the Dramatic Club, and the Debating Club. She was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority. She taught French for 26 years at her high school alma mater, and served as head of its language department. During this time she did graduate work at Pennsylvania State University, the University of Massachusetts, and the Universite de Poitiers, France, from which she received a diploma in 1938. She earned a master's degree in French from Middlebury in 1939, and studied Spanish here in 1941. Married in 1960 to James McClintock, they made their home in West Hartford, Conn., for 18 years, during which time Mrs. McClintock was a substitute teacher as well as a private tutor of French and English. She served as secretary of the Hartford Middlebury Alumnae Club. In 1978, they returned to Turners Falls. Mrs. McClintock was a direct descendant of Robert Porter, a founder of Farmington, Conn., and one of the seven founders of Hartford, Conn. She was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the National Honor Society of the U.S. Daughters of 1812, the Daughters of Founders and Patriots of America, and the Colonial Dames of the 17th Century. A member also of several retired teachers' organizations, she had belonged to the West Hartford French Conversation Club and the Turners Falls Woman's Club, and was an honorary member of the Alliance Francaise of Hartford. She was a member of the First Congregational Church of Turners Falls. In addition to her husband, she is survived by three step-daughters, Nance Slocum of Newington, Conn., Roberta Boss of Westminster, Calif., and Susan Walsh of Windsor Locks, Conn.; a sister, Dorothy Littlefield of Gardner, Mass.; eight grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

1930

LLOYD C. HACKETT, 80, of Albany, Vt., on December 17, 1988, following a long illness. A native of Albany, Mr. Hackett came to Middlebury from Montpelier Seminary. In college he played baseball and was elected to Delta Tau and Sages. He was a member of Beta Kappa fraternity. After college, Mr. Hackett helped his father operate his country store. He continued in this venture until 1966. He also grew potatoes commercially for 25 years and was a maple sugar producer. He served the town of Albany as postmaster and treasurer, and for more than 40 years as town clerk. A member of the Albany Methodist Church, he was its organist for many years. He was also a past member of Meridian Sun Lodge, F&AM #20. Married in 1932 to Helen Vance, they raised three children. After his wife's death in 1972, he married Doris Clegg Smith, who died in 1982. His three children survive him: Reynold Hackett of South Hero, Vt., Jean Hackett of Hardwick, Vt., and Mrs. Thomas (Dina) Neiman of Georgia. Also surviving are a sister, F. Lucile Anderson of Sarasota, Fla.; four grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

1931

W. KENNETH COX, 80, of Perry, N.Y., on November 10, 1988. Born in Valley Falls, N.Y. he was well known at Middlebury for his success as a cross country runner. He was also a member of the track team. A political science major, he was a member of Beta Kappa fraternity. After receiving his M.A. degree from New York State University at Albany, he had a long carreer in the field of education — 20 years of teaching and 21 in administration, including a term as principal of the Port Leyden, N.Y., Central School. He retired in 1972. He and his family camped and traveled extensively in the 48 contiguous states and Canada. He was an active skier, member of the National Ski Patrol and headed the ski program at Port Leyden Central. His daughter, Renie Gorsuch '60 of Vail, Colorado, went on to ski in the 1960 Winter Olympics. He was active in several teachers' associations. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy Corttis Cox; a son, Steven, of Perry; five daughters: Mrs. Mary Law of Lyons Falls, Mrs. Sarah Johnston of Vail, Mrs. Julie Conn of New York City, Mrs. Janice Palumbos of Salt Lake City, and Mrs. Debra Blanc of West Bloomfield; and 16 grandchildren.

—Kenneth C. Parker '31

1932

SARA G. HARNDEN, 78, of Reading, Mass., on January 14, 1989. Born in Reading, she majored in music and French and was a member of Pi Beta Phi sorority. A cellist, she played in the College Orchestra all four years, and was a member of the String Quartet. She was also a four-year member of the Dramatic Club and the French Club and was active in the Women's Athletic Association and the A Tempo Club. Shortly after graduation, she went to work for the Boston Edison Co., where she worked in public relations and customer services for 42 years. Miss Harnden was a member of the Reading Civic Orchestra in the late '30s, and served on the Republican Town Committee in Reading for a number of years. A member also of the Reading Town Meeting, she was an ambulance driver for Civil Defense during World War II. More recently, she helped to organize the 50th reunion of her class at Reading High School. She is survived by many cousins, including Mrs. William (Isabelle) Perdriau of Florida, George W. Jewett of Connecticut, and Mrs. Derick (Catherine) Willson of Beverly, Mass.

1933

WILLIAM CHAMBERLAIN DEEMER, 76, on December 8, 1988, at the Veterans Hospital, Sheriden, Wyoming, after a very long illness. Bill was born in Philadelphia, Pa. He prepared for college at Middlebury High School. In college he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon, played freshman football, and participated in track and intramural sports. He earned his B.S. degree from Pennsylvania State College in mechanical engineering in 1935. He later worked as an engineer with the W.G. Fritz Company of West Orange, N.J. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He married Dorothy M. Wilson '34 in 1936, and they had two daughters. He is survived by his mother and stepfather, Mr. and Mrs. Jay J. Fritz of Dunedin, Fla.; and by his daughters, Elsie Westlake of Pavillion, Wy., and Jean M. Deemer of San Jose, Calif.; to all of whom the class expresses sincere sympathy.

—Philip L. Carpenter '33

1935

MARGERY HANCHETT WOODSIDE, 75, of South Yarmouth, Mass., on February 10, 1989. Margery was reared in Dover, Mass. At Middlebury she was a member of Sigma Kappa and majored in Spanish. She enjoyed sports, music and dramatics, and served on the Pan-Hellenic Coun-

cil. Following graduation she taught English, Spanish and Latin in a private school in Havana. It was in Cuba that she met her husband, Harry Woodside. During W.W. II the Woodsides spent three years in Tampa, but Cuba remained their home and place of business. When the U.S. Embassy strongly advised Margery to leave, in 1960, she packed one small suitcase intending to return when "times were better in Cuba - probably in six months or less." She then returned to Dover, where she tutored in Latin and Spanish, worked at the Hathaway House Bookshop in Wellesley, and became assistant librarian in the Dover Public Library. She was also a certified Braille transcriber. Unfortunately, she was never permitted to return to Cuba and Harry was never permitted to leave. He died in 1968 in an auto accident. Marge retired to the Cape in 1977 where she courageously fought recurrent bouts of illness. At the time of her death she was engaged to a neighbor, Arnold Melbye '32, who is well-known in South Yarmouth for his bird carvings. Margery once wrote "I cannot regret the years I spent in Cuba. It was a delightful place to live and I was truly fond of the people.... It was there that I accomplished the most ambitious project of my life...writing," in collaboration with other members of the Women's Club of Havana, "a dual-language...book about flowering garden plants of the Caribbean area." She had served as president of the club and volunteered in its English-language library. Although she was disappointed not to have children of her own, she took in her ten nieces and nephews and any other children who needed a special "auntie." Her sense of humor enabled her to laugh in difficult situations and her ability to improvise saw her through a variety of crises. To her brother, George D. Hanchett, Jr., and her sisters, Ruth D. Hutton '34 (Bobby), and Lois H. Harper '44, we extend our deepest sympathy. They and we in the class of 1935 have lost a very fine friend.
—Avis Fischer '35

1940

J. WILLARD BRISTOL, 71, of Vergennes, Vt., on December 22, 1988. A native of Vergennes, he spent two years at Middlebury and earned an executive secretarial degree from Burlington Business College in 1948. A World War II veteran, Mr. Bristol was a sergeant in the U.S. Army Air Corps from 1942 to 1945, serving in England and France. After the war he pursued a lifelong career in banking, first with the Burlington Trust Co., then the National Bank of Vergennes, and finally with the Chittenden Trust Co., Burlington. After serving as a branch manager with the Chittenden, he was appointed auditor in 1972. At the time of his retirement in 1982, he was a vice-president of the bank. A member of the Vergennes Rotary and the Vergennes American Legion Post 14, he was the secretary of the Dorchester Lodge 1 F&AM in Vergennes for more than 30 years. He was also the superintendent of Prospect Cemetery in Vergennes. Mr. Bristol is survived by a sister, Mrs. Louis (Norma) Nardone of Kingston, N.Y.; two nephews; a niece; a greatniece; an aunt; and several cousins.

1941

EMERSON GRAY JOHNSTONE, 71, died on February 19, 1989, at the Ottauquechee Health Center in Woodstock, Vt. A native of Rensselaer, N.Y., he entered Middlebury from Albany (N.Y.) Academy. During his college years he was a philosophy major, participated in winter sports and intramurals, was a member of the French and Spanish clubs, and served as business manager of the 1941 *Kaleidoscope*. He was a member of Kappa Delta Rho fraternity. On January 26, 1942, Emerson married Mary Elizabeth Clough '42, who survives him. During World War II he served in the U.S. Navy, 1941-47, emerging as a Lieutenant Commander. In 1948 he and Mary moved to Woodstock where they were in the antique business, although Em was for a time employed by the Vermont Department of Social Welfare. He was active in the Woodstock First Congregational Church, American Legion, VFW, and the Disabled Veterans of America. In addition to his wife, he is survived by two children: a son, Jay of Wallingford, Vt., and a daughter, Kathy Senecal of Cromwell, Conn.; a sister, Shirley Mott, of Towson, Md.; and four grandchildren. We extend our sincere condolences to his family.
—Lester W. Ingalls '41

1941

CLAIRE KNOWLSON LESLIE, 69, of Kleinburg, Ontario, on November 1, 1988, while on vacation in the Canary Islands. Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., and raised in Connecticut, she came to Middlebury from the Gilbert School. In college for two years, she transferred to the University of Toronto, from which she graduated in 1941. It was there that she met her future husband, Jack Leslie. They were married in 1942 and raised four daughters. The family moved to Kleinburg in 1953, where Mrs. Leslie became active in the Explorers Group and the Kleinburg United Church. She helped to establish the town library and was beloved by the village children to whom she read stories. In addition to her husband, Mrs. Leslie is survived by her children, Anne Morrison, Jane Latimer, Patricia Gibbs and Maureen Denny; a sister, Jane Bates of Minnesota; two brothers, George Knowlson of Connecticut and Jim Knowlson of California; and nine grandchildren.

1942

MARY BREHAUT TREAT, 68, of Johns Island, S.C., on December 23, 1988. The daughter of Wilfred H. and Olive Payne Brehaut of Hingham, Mass., Mary prepared for college at Hingham High School. During her college years she was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority, an English major, and was active in the Women's Club and numerous social committees. On March 13, 1943, she married Richard Lee Treat '41, who survives her. She is also survived by two sons, Richard L., Jr., of Virginia Beach, Va., a U.S. Navy Chief Petty Officer in the submarine service, and Donald of Kingston, N.Y., a sports journalist; her brother, Wilfred of Santa Ana, Calif., and three grandchildren. Mary was a devoted wife and mother, a sports enthusiast, and an avid amateur tournament golfer. A person of boundless energy and gracious humor, Mary's friendship was a treasured part of our lives. We are deeply sorry to lose her.
—Lester W. Ingalls '41

1943

BARBARA JOHNSON NICKLESS, 66, of Manchester, Mass., on March 12, 1989, of cancer. Bobbie was born in New Rochelle, N.Y., and graduated from Bulkeley High School, Hartford, Conn. A mathematics major at Middlebury, Bobbie was active in Mountain Club and intramural sports. She played in the college orchestra and was a member of Kappa Delta sorority. After graduation from Middlebury, Bobbie taught mathematics for a few years before marrying Fred P. Nickless, Jr. While their four children were small, she ran a nursery and served as a visiting home teacher in Manchester. When the Pingree School, a coeducational day school in South Hamilton, Mass., was founded in 1961, Bobbie was appointed to the original faculty. She taught there until her retirement in 1985, serving during her tenure as head of the math department, dean of girls, and athletics coach. Bobbie was active for 35 years in the Boston Middlebury Alumni Association, and during the '60s worked on the College's capital fund-raising campaign. At the Class of 1943's 45th reunion in May '88, she was elected class secretary; her illness forced her to relinquish the job. Her husband, Fred, wrote to me, "Middlebury was one of the great loves in her life. She gave to the annual fund every year, even when we barely had enough for our own needs. And she made a pledge to the capital campaign, one which I will see is met. So, if anyone asks, tell him or her that Bobbie will be with them in spirit when they gather for the big 50th reunion." Besides her husband, she is survived by four children: Susan, Joanne, Steven and Margaret.
—Kathryn Sempepos Silliman '43

1944

JEAN BELL ANDREWS, 65, of North Tarrytown, N.Y., died of an intestinal virus on February 7, 1989, while in the last port of a three-week cruise. She and her husband, William '42, had been on a long anticipated trip from Chile to Antarctica, stopping enroute at remote Easter Island. Jean was born February 28, 1923, and graduated from Scarsdale, N.Y., High School. While at Middlebury, she was a member of Pi Beta Phi. Jean majored in biology, a field that interested her through her life. She married William Andrews in August of 1943. Jean attended Katharine Gibbs School, New York, 1944-45, and was a Secretary at N.Y.U. College of Medicine 1945-47. An active volunteer with the Girl Scouts of the Tarrytowns for more than 35 years, she served as a troop leader and participated in hiking and camping trips. A lover of adventure, Jean had traveled across the United States by car with a tent in the '60s, had hiked and camped in the Florida Everglades, and had traveled to Spain, Australia, and New Zealand. Jean was also involved with Meals on Wheels in the Tarrytown area for more than 15 years. She was a member of Christ Episcopal Church in Tarrytown. In addition to her husband, she is survived by five daughters, Mary B. Andrews of Scarsdale, Sally B. Andrews '78 of Manhattan, Nancy C. Andrews of Clinton, Conn., Margaret C. Andrews of Bethel, Conn., and Janet Andrews Greiner of Hamilton, Ohio; her son, Craig R. of North Tarrytown; her sister, Sally Bell Potter of Birmingham, Mich.,; and two grandchildren. To each of them the Class of '44 extends its deepest sympathy. Jean had planned to attend the Class of '44 45th Reunion in June. We missed her.
—Betty Broadbent Brown '44

1944

JOHN E. UNTERECKER, 66, of Honolulu, Hawaii, on January 10, 1989, of complications following heart surgery. Jack was an award-winning writer and professor of English at the University of Hawaii. He was born in Buffalo in 1922, and received a doctorate in English from Columbia University. He also did work at Bread Loaf in 1949. He worked as a radio announcer, WBNY in 1944, was a free-lance writer for the Columbia University Press in 1945, and did research for O.W.I. in 1945 and '46. He was a professor of English at Columbia for a number of years before moving to Hawaii in 1969, where he was appointed to the Citizen's Chair in English Literature at the University of Hawaii. His published works include poetry, criticism, essays, and biography. His best known works are *Voyager: A Biography of Hart Crane* and *A Reader's Guide to William Butler Yeats*. Both these books were definitive works on the lives of these two poets. John himself has been published in the United States, Canada, England, and Australia. His writings have been included in such periodicals as the *New Yorker, Nation*, and *Poetry*. In 1984 he was the recipient of the Hawaii Award on Culture and the Arts. His life work included teaching young poets, several of whom rose to prominence. He was also a dance critic for the Honolulu

Star-Bulletin and was writing a book about the New York Ballet. John started quietly in Middlebury and became an important and influential teacher, writer, and critic. The Class of 1944 extends its deep sympathy to his sister, Helen Fiske, of Rochester, N.Y., and to his many students and colleagues in Hawaii and on the mainland.
—George S. Harris, Jr. '44

1945

ANGUS A. COUGHLIN, 64, of Hingham, Mass., on March 14, 1989, after a long illness. Born in Hartford, Conn., he came to Middlebury from Wethersfield, Conn., High School. A member of Theta Chi fraternity, he enlisted in the U.S. Army after his sophomore year, and spent two years in the 26th Infantry Division, with 18 months' duty overseas. He completed his undergraduate studies at Wesleyan University in 1947. After working in Hartford for Connecticut General's group insurance department, Mr. Coughlin became a product manager for Kendall Co. in Boston, retiring in 1982 after 22 years with the company. He is survived by his wife, Mary Tipping Coughlin '45; a son, Bruce P. Coughlin of Framingham, Mass.; three daughters, Sister Helen Suzanne of Lincoln, Mass., Joan C. Conti of Plymouth, Mass., and Nancy C. Weida of Lewisburg, Pa.; two sisters, Edith Brockett of Linwood, N.J., and Ruth McGray of Jamaica, Vt.; and five grandchildren.

1953

ROBERT V. JOHNSON, 58, of Greenfield, Mass., on December 30, 1988. Born in Greenfield, he prepared for college at Deerfield Academy. A psychology major at Middlebury, he was a member of Alpha Sigma Psi fraternity. After graduation, Mr. Johnson took a job as a salesman with the Anaconda American Brass Company, working in Waterbury, Conn., from 1953 to 1957, and later in Philadelphia and New York City. He retired in 1974. He was a communicant of Blessed Sacrament Church. He is survived by his wife, the former Margaret E. Lillis; two sons, Russell W. of Sandwich, Mass., and Douglas A. of Phoenix, Ariz.; a daughter, Donna E. of Sandwich; a stepdaughter, Deborah Adams of Worcester, Mass.; two stepsons, Mark Minckler of Hinsdale, N.H., and Daniel Minckler of Turners Falls, Mass.; and five step-grandchildren.

1953

ELIZABETH TABER NEMSER, 57, of Moorestown, N.J., on December 11, 1988, of cancer. Born in Springfield, Mass., she prepared for college at the MacDuffie School. Transferring to Simmons College after her junior year, she earned her bachelor's degree there in publishing. Mrs. Nemser was a self-employed children's book buyer. She was a member of the Unitarian Church in Cherry Hill, N.J., where her husband is pastor. A life member of the Nature Conservancy, she was the founder of the Memorial Society of Lower Delaware Valley in Cherry Hill. During the years she lived in Schenectady, N.Y., she was the secretary of the local Planned Parenthood chapter and served as treasurer of the First Unitarian Society. Besides her husband, the Rev. Rudolph Nemser, she leaves two sons, Christopher I. McGrew of Rochester, N.Y. and Dr. Jeffrey T. McGrew of Wellesley, Mass.; a daughter, Laura McGrew of San Francisco, Calif.; three stepdaughters, Sarah Holt of Willow Grove, Pa., Katherine Crawford of Salt Lake City, Utah, and Tobey Tang of New York City; her father, Donald R. Taber of Delray Beach, Fla.; a brother, Donald R. Taber, Jr., of Boynton Beach, Fla.; a sister, Ann Nugent of Ewing, N.J.; and a grandson.

1955

ELECTRA BOSTWICK McDOWELL, 55, of New York City, on March 10, 1989, of a cerebral hemorrhage. Born in New York City on June 15, 1933, Electra grew up on Long Island and at Bostwick Farms in Shelburne, Vt. She prepared for college at Foxcroft School, Middleburg, Va. At Middlebury, Electra was a fine arts major and a member of Pi Beta Phi sorority. She was active in Women's Forum and was a member of the Yacht and Mountain Clubs. After college she donated countless hours to teaching English at a public school in Harlem. She remained loyal to Middlebury, serving on the board of trustees, interviewing prospective students, and hosting alumni gatherings in New York City. Her love of the arts kept her active at the Shelburne Museum, which was founded by her grandparents, and she was elected president of the museum's board in October 1988, having served on the board since 1963. Electra will be missed for her quiet generosity and kindness, her intelligence and warmth, and we extend sincerest sympathy to her family: her father, Dunbar Wright Bostwick; her husband, Fletcher Hughes McDowell; and her daughters, Electra, Laura '83, and Linn.
—Joan Tolley Bassett '55

1968

PETER A. LAUDATI, III, 42, of Providence, R.I., at his home on March 4, 1989. A native of Providence, Peter majored in geography at Middlebury and was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon, serving as president of the fraternity during the first term of his senior year. Peter was an avid bridge player. He was also very active in outdoor activities, including three years on the Ski Patrol and a member of the Mountain Club for four years. He was also in the Newman Club throughout his college years. Following graduation, Peter joined his father to form Peter A. Laudati and Son, a real estate consulting firm. He was a member of the Providence Board of Realtors. Peter continued to be very active in skiing after college. He owned a chalet at Attitash Ski Area in Bartlett, N.H., where he and his former wife, Jean Mollicone, had been instructors at the ski school. Until a few years ago he had raced on the Master's circuit, and in early 1988, Peter, Jean and a group of friends traveled to Zermatt, Switz., for some intensive skiing. Besides his parents, Peter A. Laudati, Jr., and Adrienne Saunders Laudati of North Scituate, R.I., Peter leaves two sisters, Karen Swinson of Cumberland, R.I., and Therese Bissette of Scituate, R.I. The Class of '68 extends its most sincere sympathy to all those who knew and loved Peter.
—Ben Gregg '68

1981

ANDREW S. LUCAS, 30, of Elmira, N.Y., on August 20, 1987. A graduate of Elmira Free Academy, he attended the University of Vermont before enrolling at Middlebury. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. M. Patricia Lucas of Elmira; his grandmother, Mrs. Stella B. Albright of Elmira; two brothers, Dr. Alfred W. Lucas, Jr., of Clearwater, Fla., and Christopher A. Lucas of Thousand Oaks, Calif.; two sisters, Jennifer A. Lucas-Schweizer of Burlington, Vt., and Karen P. Lucas-Tolbert of Hagerstown, Md.; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

1989

ALISON G. FRAKER, 22, of Princeton, N.J., on March 26, 1989, of injuries sustained in an automobile accident. She graduated in 1984 from Princeton High School, where she was a standout member of the field hockey and lacrosse teams, as well as a swimmer and a peer group leader. Coming to Middlebury as a February freshman in 1985, she majored in English and earned College Scholar honors each semester. She spent the 1986-87 academic year studying in Ireland and was completing a senior honors thesis on Virginia Woolf at the time of her death. While continuing her involvement in athletics, she became active in dance at Middlebury, taking classes in the dance department and becoming a member of the Dance Company of Middlebury. She was also involved in the Women's Studies Discussion Group. The daughter of Lynn Johnson Bienstock of New York City and Princeton, and Harrison Fraker Jr. of Minneapolis, Minn., she is survived also by a sister, Jessica E. Fraker; her maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frances Johnson of Far Hills, N.J.; her paternal grandfather, Harrison Fraker of Nantucket, Mass.; and an uncle, Howard Fraker '73 of Nantucket.

Faculty

DOUGLAS STOWE BEERS, 94, of Middlebury, Vt., on March 22, 1989. He came to Middlebury in 1925 to teach English literature, bringing bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees from Yale University. After three years he was appointed chairman of the English department, a post which he held for 35 years—an academic record for self-sacrifice and patience. In 1940 he was appointed chairman of the humanities division; in 1952 he was made Hudson Professor of English. He enjoyed teaching so much that he also taught two days a week at Trinity College in Burlington, commuting in all weather for 25 years (1929-55). "He judged it important to know the students' interests, and relate to them. He understood what education meant, and what it required," said his friend Stephen Freeman at a memorial service. Professor Beers and his wife, Doris, held many responsibilities at the Congregational Church and he continued his work in the church following her death in 1975. For ten years he was a regular driver for FISH, taking meals to the shut-ins, doing errands or taxiing people—who often did not realize that he was much older then they. He also was instrumental to the growth of Ilsley Library, supported the Humane Society, and was an avid gardener, winning the Middlebury Garden Club Award two years ago. The College is grateful for his unselfish service and devotion, and expresses condolences to his daughter, Katherine Beers, of Middlebury.

FACULTY

SALVATORE J. CASTIGLIONE, 78, of Cornwall, Vt., March 29, 1989. See page 55.

BEQUESTS

Estate of Alice Frances Linnehan $5,000 for the Stella Christie Scholarship Fund, the income to be awarded as scholarship aid to deserving students in the French Summer School.

Estate of Dorothy B. Barton '18 $1,000 for the general endowment of Middlebury College.

Estate of Carol C. Parks $5,000 for the general endowment of Middlebury College.

Estate of Alexander H. Fulton $2,431.42 for the Alexander Hamilton Fulton Fund bringing total bequest to $6,090,894.88.

Estate of Alice M. Harris $5,000 for the Betty Jean Aitchison '45 Scholarship Fund.

Estate of Albert L. Karlik $35,469.62 for the Albert and Edna Karlik Scholarship Fund.

Estate of Ruthalia Keim $6,593.16 for the Language Schools Endowment Fund bringing total bequest to $17,008.16.

Estate of Jessie G. Williams $5,000 for the general endowment of Middlebury College.

MIDDBITS

Exercises of Commencement

1. How many seniors were graduated at Middlebury's first Commencement?
2. Which of the day's speakers received the most attention at the 1886 Commencement exercises?
3. What colors are the gowns worn by the Faculty Marshals?
4. When was the first *al fresco* Commencement?
5. What happens to leftover Commencement programs?

Answers on page 91

College Archives

Midd's first toga party (above)

The 1900 Exercises of Commencement were part of a five-day Centennial celebration. The week's most-talked-about event was not Commencement, nor the dedication of Starr Library, but rather a Roman pageant conceived and directed by Myron R. Sanford, professor of Latin.

Temporibus Hominis Arpinatis (roughly translated, "In the Age of the Man from Arpinum") was a character play about Cicero (the man of the play's title). Based on the historian's letters and orations, as well as the histories of Sallust and Plutarch, the pageant featured 100 students and was presented in its own specially constructed building. In fact, carpenters worked right up until the 8 P.M. curtain time, and members of the audience (who paid $1.00 each for their tickets) reported the distinct odor of fresh lumber and paint.

Changing times

The No. 10 item on an April 7, 1988 list of Commencement needs was a request for "Small tables at men's restrooms, in order for them to change diapers."

Item No. 11 also dealt with up-to-the-minute details: "Wind clock on Old Chapel."

Dress Code I, or We're just following instructions

As part of the June 1988 post-Commencement post-mortem, Director of Residential Life Frank Kelley suggested using PhoneMail to "communicate to seniors about Commencement." Despite a plethora of paper (including a six-page, single-spaced memo covering everything from graduation announcements to photography), Kelley noted that "some seniors are still confused and unaware...Two arrived without shoes, and were surprised (?) when told they must wear shoes to the ceremony."

Perhaps the shoeless Joes had a point. Under "Clothing" (page 5, line 16 of the 1988 memo), male graduates were asked only to wear "shirts, ties, and long pants." In 1989, the letter of the law matched its spirit as an additional instruction appeared: "All graduates should wear shoes."

Dress Code II, or Remember the dress that looked like a T-shirt?

Sartorial requirements for the ten junior marshals and ushers (five men, five women) are more exact. In fact, until 1987, the College provided the juniors with Commencement uniforms—Midd-blue polyester blazers and gray polyester slacks for the men, white blouses and reversible wraparound skirts (Midd-blue on one side, white eyelet on the other) for the women. That year, the juniors revolted.

Today, the men wear navy-blue blazers and gray trousers, while the women wear white dresses. The men get to use their own fashion judgment, but the women's dresses must be approved by the Dean of Students or the Director of Residential Life.

And, yes, shoes *are* required.

Relatively speechless

With 400-plus seniors receiving sheepskins (actually, parchment diplomas were replaced by paper facsimiles in the early 1970s), the bulk of the morning ceremony is taken up with the reading of names. In contrast, the 1802 Exercises of Commencement—with only one degree presented *in absentia*—was a full-day affair, featuring a total of 27 student addresses, including Latin and Greek orations, disputes, dialogues, and colloquys.

By 1900, as the College celebrated its first century, all of the student orations were in English, and the Exercises of Commencement had been condensed into a morning's worth of speeches. Thirteen of the 30-member class spoke, with a *Polka Russe* by Sokolow providing a musical intermission halfway through the speeches. Topics included: "Puritan Principle vs. Spanish Policy," "The Aim of Modern Education," "Literature and the Problems of America," "Henry Hudson's View of Women," "The Mystery of the Sea," and—the valedictory address—"Self Activity and Development."

Student speakers gave way to a single Commencement address, delivered by an honored guest, in 1918. That year, the Rev. J. Percival Huget of Brooklyn took as his theme, "What Would Lincoln Say to This Generation?"

Compiled by Mary Ruth Yoe—with frequent recourse to the College Archives and to a three-inch-thick Commencement notebook kept by Betty Hamilton, secretary to the Dean of the College.

THIS IS MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE!

BY JEFF POTTER and PETER BETHKE

"WHEN WINTER NEARS, MANY PEOPLE FIND THEMSELVES TRYING TO WARD OFF CONVENTIONAL ILLNESSES."
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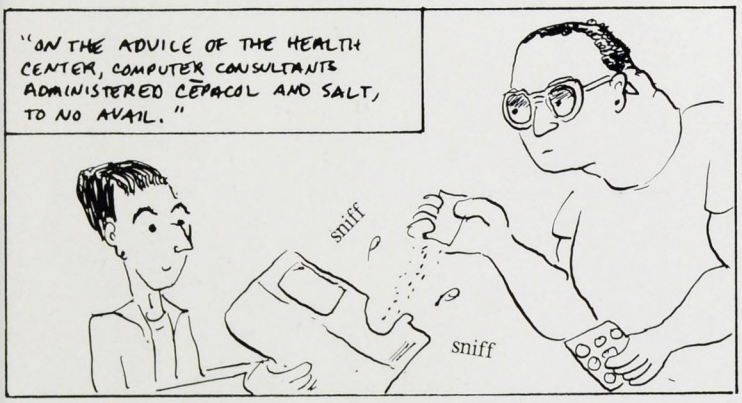
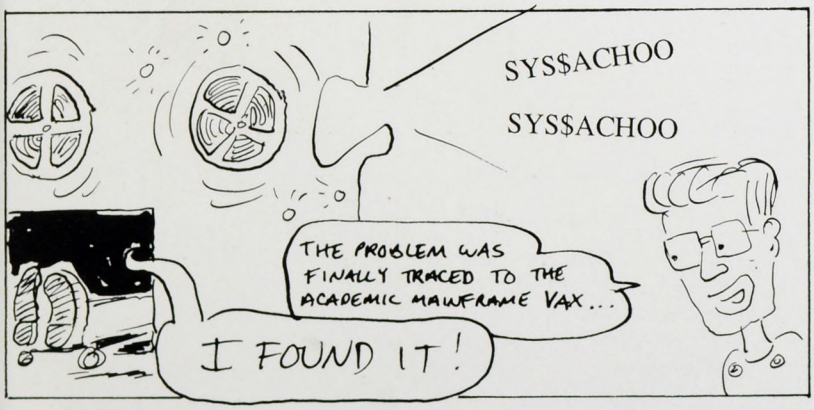
BUT THERE IS A SITUATION LURKING ON THIS CAMPUS, ONE OF EVEN GREATER PROPORTIONS THAN THE INTRICACIES OF ELLIPTIC CURVES. HI, I'M JOSHUA T. GOULD. JOIN ME AS WE EXAMINE MIDDLEBURY'S COMPUTER VIRUS.
Computer Virus Arrives
The Middlebury Campus





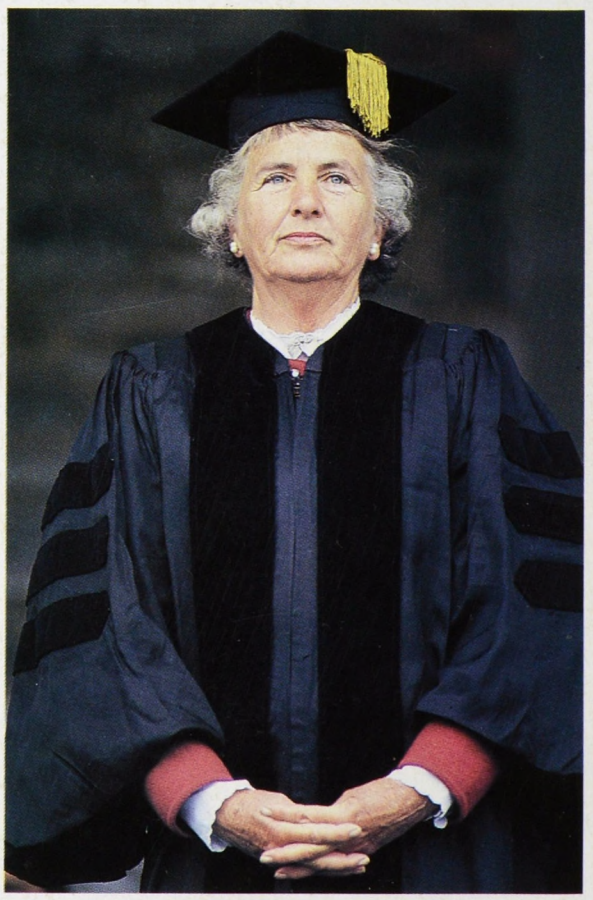
A new campus hangout

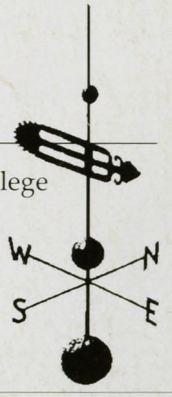
For a long time I have thought it important for Middlebury to have a student center - a place where lots of different things were going on, where students would be drawn to participate and/or observe. I have put up with a lot of teasing about proposing "Wonnacott's barn." The place I envision was to have dancing, craft space, student organization offices, meeting rooms, a game room, a snack bar and just plain "hanging out" space.

The planned renovations of McCullough gym will combine all these things in one building with a great location. The student center is even more important now that several popular downtown "hangouts" have closed and others are not an option for students because of the increase in the drinking age. Middlebury students are, and always have been, full of energy - both academic and social. The balance and space for both are important.

Erica Wonnacott

Erica Wonnacott
Dean of Students (1970-1988)



Erica Wonnacott received an honorary Doctor of Education degree during the 1989 Commencement Exercises.

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